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Relating

SHERBURN HOSPITAL

*in the County Palatine of DURHAM.*

S H E W I N G

The Foundation thereof by *Hugh Pudsey* Bishop of *Durham*,  
about the Year 1181, and what Alterations it has since  
undergone by an Act of Parliament *Incorporating* the  
same 27th. Q. Eliz. 1585.

AND SEVERAL

*Charters, Grants, Benefactions, Visitations, Inquisitions, Rules, Ordinances and  
Masters* thereof, so far as can be collected from Registers, Close  
Rolls, authentic Records, Wills, and other Instruments in  
Manuscript and Print.

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*Gather up the Fragments that remain.* 6. John v. 12.

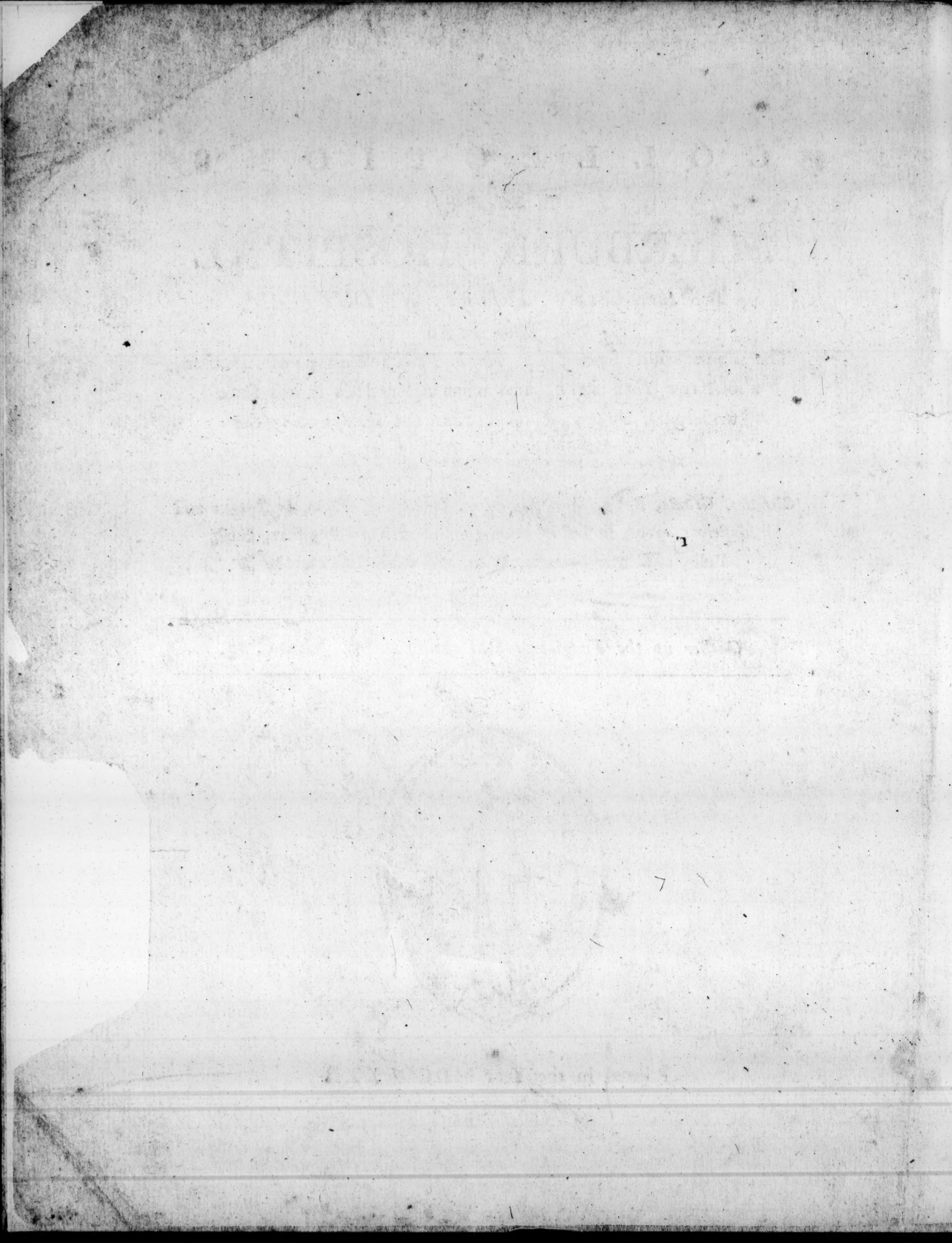
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HUGH PUDSEY

Bishop of DURHAM

and Founder of Sherburn Hospital.

**H**UGH PUSAR, PUSAZ, or PUDSEY (*de Puteaco*) for thus his Name is variously written, succeeded *William de St. Barbara* (who died in November 1152) in the Sec of Durham. He was made Archdeacon of *Winchester* on the Promotion of *Josceline de Bailul* to the See of *Sarum* in 1141, and Treasurer of *Tork* in 1144. Elected Bishop of *Durham* 22<sup>d</sup>. Jan. 1152, Consecrated at Rome 20<sup>th</sup>. Dec. 1153; and Inthronized in Person 2<sup>d</sup>. May 1154.

This great Preferment was bestowed on him more out of respect to his Noble Extraction and greatness of Blood, than for any especial Merit or good Qualities of his own, being, as was reported, Son to K. *Stephens* Sister; tho' neither her or her Huslands name are mentioned by any Historian, nor is it handed down to Us, what City or County he was born in.

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He was wise and sagacious in the ordering of Temporal Matters, and considering he had not a liberal and learned Education, very eloquent, exceedingly rapacious, and as cunning in getting Money, as greedy and desirous of it.

He underwent many and great Troubles, before he could obtain Consecration, and peaceably enjoy his high Dignity; for *Henry Murdac* Archbishop of *York*, not only stoutly refused to consecrate him himself (taking exceptions both against his want of Years and immoral Behaviour) but also sent Letters to Rome to have a Caveat entered against him there: *Eugenius* was Pope at that time; an old Friend and Acquaintance of the Archbishop, who were both educated together under *St. Bernard* the famous Abbat of *Clairvaux*; but such was the good luck of this new Elect, that before he had passed the Alps in his Journey towards Rome, Pope *Eugenius* died, and *Anastasius* who succeeded him in the Popedom without delay or difficulty readily afforded him Consecration (altho' only twenty five years of Age) on the Vigil of *St. Thomas* 1153.

*HUGH* returning to Durham with great joy and satisfaction, on the Road heard of the death of his implacable Enemy and Persecutor *Murdac*, and entering his Cathedral triumphantly, without any molestation or hindrance was joyfully received by the whole Convent, and accordingly inthronized Bishop with all the Ceremony and Pomp used on such particular occasions.

He continued Bishop in this See above forty one years, in which time he performed several great and notable things; building diverse Houses upon his Manors, and bestowing much Cost in the Repairs of the rest. Amongst others, about the year 1164, he built a fair Mansion house at *Darlington*, called the *Old Hall*, as also the Church there for a Dean and three or four

Secular



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Secular Canons? Granted some new; and confirmed many old Privileges to the Priory of *Finchale* founded by Bishop *Flambard* one of his Predecessors, and made famous for the habitation of *St. Goodrick* a Hermit, to whose Memory he also erected a small Chapel.

The Castle of *Norham* near the River *Tweed* an important Fortrefs, beginning to be ruinous, he re-edified and strengthened with a strong Tower, furnishing it with a Garrison, Victuals, and every other Necessary, the better to withstand the Scots, who frequently made Inroads into England.

In the year 1177 K. Henry 2<sup>d</sup>. made *William de Nevill* Constable of this Castle, and *Roger de Coniers* likewise Constable of Durham Tower, both which he had taken away from the Bishop, because he had served him deceitfully in his Wars; hereupon the Bishop to regain his good will, and that his Castles might not be levelled with the Ground, agreed to give 2000 Marks of Silver.

He also built and endowed an Hospital dedicated to St. James, situated about a Mile East of *Northallerton*, which Town in the year 1174 he likewise fortified with strong Walls, tho' they were afterwards demolished by the Kings Order, and *Henry* the Bishops Son was permitted (with much ado) to return with the Garrison to France.

In the same year at Christmas, he had a Personal Conference with *William* King of Scotland on the Borders of both Kingdoms; when he gave the said King 300 Marks of Silver out of the Lands of the Northumberland Barons for a Truce, to last from the feast of St. Hilary, to the Close of Easter.

He intended a new Building at the East end of his Cathedral Church, having purchased many Marble Pillars beyond Sea at a great Expence, but laying that design aside, erected at the West end thereof a Chapel dedicated to the Virgin Mary, called the Galilee: In this place alone it was allowable  
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for Women to assemble for Divine Service, and not to go up further in the Body of the Church, than the line of Marble near the Font, for *St. Cuthbert* was after his death, reported by the Monks to be an Hater of the Fair Sex; tho' in his Lifetime he admired and conversed much with *Saint Ebba* the famous Abbess of *Coldingham* and other Females.

He made from Silver and Gold the Feretory of neat and curious Workmanship, in which he placed the Bones of *Venerable Bede*, and amongst many other great and valuable Gifts, gave to the Church a Cross and Chalice of pure Gold.

He built the new Bridge over the River *Were*, called *Elvet bridge*, and restored the Burrough thereof (which he had unjustly taken away) to the Monks of Durham, the true and legal Owners and Proprietors thereof, which is now in the Possession of the Dean and Chapter of Durham.

He built or repaired with great Cost the City Wall from the Northgate to the Southgate, and diverse Edifices in the Castle, which had suffered by Fire in his time, he rebuilt anew.

He had many expensive Law Suites and Contests, in all which he generally came off victorious and with Honor; being a stout Champion and Maintainer of the Liberties and Privileges of Holy Church and *Saint Cuthbert*: This Behaviour however created him the ill will of many, who called his heroical Firmness and Intrepidity, Haughtiness and overbearing Tyranny.

His principal Undertaking, and what redounded most to his Honor, and is his greatest Encomium, was the founding and endowing *SHERBURN HOSPITAL* situate about three Miles East of Durham, and which is still in being; this he built for the Entertainment and Reception of *Sixty five poor Lepers*, together with a Master, and a certain number of Priests; he allowed them

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them a liberal Income for their daily Maintenance, granting and confirming by his Charters the several Churches of *Kellow, Sockburn, Grindon, Ebchester,* and *Bishopton*, with Lands, Tenements, and Tyths, lying in various Places in the County of Durham, for the use and support of the said Hospital:

*Neubrigensis* however ascribes this Charitable and Pious Work partly unto other Men, whom the Bishop by his mere arbitrary Will and Pleasure compelled to become Benefactors unto this Foundation, and to disburse as much Money as their abilities would afford, being unwilling to be at all the Expence himself; and as Money was to be had at any rate for the Building and to supply his wants, diverse not very honorable ways and means (as it is said) were used for that purpose.

He caused a General Survey to be made of all the antient Demefne Lands and Possessions of his Bishoprick, in the form and manner of *Doomsday Book*, which is recorded in a large Volume called *Boldon Book*, now remaining in the Archives at Durham: It contains Inquisitions or Verdicts of all the several Tenures of Lands, Services and Customs, all the Tenants Names of every degree, how much each of them did hold at that time, and Rents paid to the Bishop. This Book has been produced and read in Evidence on several Tryals at Law, on the part of succeeding Bishops to ascertain their Property.

He granted a Charter to the Burgesles of the City of *Durham*, whereby they enjoy several valuable Privileges at this day: that they should be exempt from the Customary Duties of *In-toll* and *Out-toll*, from *Market Silver*, and *Herriots*, and should enjoy all the free Privileges, which the Burgesles of *Newcastle* do in the best and most honorable manner posses; this Charter he got confirmed by *Pope Alexander III.* when he assisted with three other English Bishops at the General Council held at *Lateran* in the year 1176.

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He bought of K. *Richard 1<sup>st</sup>*. the rich *Manor* and *Wapentak* of *Sadberge*, with *Soc, Sac, Toll, Theam, Infangenethef, Pleas of the Crown &c.* and settled them upon his See for ever, for the Clergy in those days (1189) were the only Money'd Men and best able to purchase in the whole Nation, This *Manor &c.* together with the *Earldom of Northumberland* conferred on him for Life, cost 11000 £.

When the King was preparing to lead a puissant Army into the Holy Land, the Bishop also took upon him in a solemn manner the Vow and Cross, and promised to be one in the Crusade; such was the Blindness and Superstition of those days, in thinking it a meritorious act to assist for the recovery of the Holy City and Land out of the hands of the Saracens: But whether this proceeded from a pure Principle of Zeal and Devotion, or from an eager desire of acquiring Fame, I dare not determine; however, if it be allowable to judge by the Character of our Bishop, it is to be presumed, Glory had a greater share therein than Religion.

For the better undertaking such a long Voyage and Expedition, it was necessary to raise great Sums for his support; accordingly he was wholly intent upon that Affair, and by extraordinary methods and Impositions, squeezed from the Subjects of his Palatinate, a vast Treasure. The King hearing what huge Bags of Money the Bishop had prepared to carry with him, secretly advised him to stay at home, and lend him the Money, which if he would consent to, in return promised to make him *Earl of Northumberland*.

The Bishop now repenting of the Vow he had so hastily and rashly made, and being of an ambitious Temper, fond of Power and Greatness, readily consented and embraced the Offer with great joy; The King according to Promise having girt him with a Military Sword, turn'd himself unto the  
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Company present, and in Raillery said, he had performed a wonderful exploit, for (says he) *of an old Bishop I have made a young Earl*. But in favor of the Bishop it may be said, that the Clerical and Military Character were not inconsistent in those days. *Edward III.* ordered all the Clergy to take up Arms in defence of the Kingdom.

This new Dignity however was not capable of satisfying the Prelates Ambition, and in order that he might have some specious and colourable excuse for not performing his Vow, advised the King to alledge, that he could not be well spared out of the Kingdom during his absence; and to make this more probable (giving the King 1000 Marks) persuaded him with that kind of golden Rhetorick, to make him Chief Justiciary of all England, and Governor of *Windſor* Castle and the Forest adjoining; and with the same Oratory induced the Pope to dispense with his Vow, unto which the excuses before alledged made some way, but never could have done the Business effectually, without that Sovereign and never failing Remedy.

*Richard* before his Departure, divided England between two Regents, *Pudſey* Bishop of Durham, and *Longchamp* Bishop of Ely, Lord Chancellor, and the Pope's Legate.

He had no sooner crossed the Seas, but the two Regents disagreeing, came at length, after several Disputes, to an open Rupture. *Longchamp* had a great advantage over his Collegue, as well by the high Post he enjoyed, as by his Abilities, which gave him a Superiority, he knew how to improve. By pretending their Diffention was prejudicial to the Affairs of the State, he found means to exclude him by degrees from the Administration, and assume the whole power to himself.

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The dispossessed Bishop writ to the King, who receiving his Complaints at Marseilles, sent him his Letters Patent appointing him Justiciary from the Humber to the Confines of Scotland. The Letters being arrived, the Bishop was so unwise as to give them to *Longchamp*, who, under colour of examining them, refused to restore them, and thereby rendered them of no effect. To this imperious Act he added a no less bold Attempt, for he ordered the Bishop to be apprehended, and detained him in Prison, 'till he delivered up certain Castles, which gave him too great Power in the Northern parts.

After the Kings return from Jerusalem, the Bishop found him not so favorably inclined to him as he expected, altho' he had sent him 2000 Pound of Silver towards his Ransom; thinking therefore that he grudged him the enjoyment of his Earldom, he voluntarily resigned this short lived Dignity; But the true reason of the King's Displeasure was this:

The Bishop under pretence of releasing the Captive King, had by Collections and Contributions amassed vast Sums of Money, but remitted only a small part thereof to the Kings use, and put (as was generally believed) the greatest share into his own Coffers: Upon this suspicion, *Richard* loaded him with many grievous fines and exactions, well knowing, that he had by pilling, polling, and squeezing his Palatinatè, raked up infinite Masses of Money as he had freely offered him a great Sum for the recovery and redemption of his lost Earldom:

The King being in Normandy, sent unto him for the proffer'd Sum, as granting his request, but the old Fox perceiving his drift, humbly besought him by Letters, either to give him possession of the Earldom first, or else graciously suffer him to enjoy his own Money in Peace and Quietness; where-

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upon the crafty King to beat the Bishop at his own Weapon, politickly dissembled, and wrote Letters full of fair and plausible Speeches, desiring him to bring his Money up to London, and there receive the Rule and Government of the whole Realm, which he would commit to him and *Hubert* Archbishop of Canterbury: Being elated with this honorable and advantageous Offer, with the greatest alacrity he set out for London about Shrovetide, and taking his last farewell of Flesh Suppers, by eating to excess, got a Surfeit upon the Road at *Craike*, however, he obstinately proceeded on his Journey to *Doncaster*, where finding himself violently ill, returned home again by Boat to *Hoveden*.

Altho' he was now seventy years of Age, he could not bear the thoughts of Death, and would hardly believe his Physicians, when they certified him a little before he died, of the great danger and peril he was in, for as a certain Historian rightly said of this Prelate, the World was not *crucifixus* to him, but *infixus* in him.

*Godrick* the old Hermit of *Finchale* (accounted by many a very holy Man) had told him, he should be blind ten years before his death, which (says the Historian) was meant of the blindness of his Mind, and the Bishop understanding it of the blindness of his bodily Eyes, never cared to provide for Death, assuring himself that he had as yet ten years to come; however Death gradually approaching, and his bodily pains hourly increasing, moved by the intreaties of his Friends who were present, he made his last Will, and being touched with Remorse for his past Sins, confessed all his excesses, and seemed to promise a sincere reformation and amendment of life; for he restored to the Monks of *Durham*, the Lands and Liberties which he had illegally seized, and freely gave them over and above, the Villa of *Neuton* bought with his  
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own Money, and confirmed it by his Charter; made Restitution to many Persons in the Palatinate of their Estates and Possessions, with due and ample satisfaction: He also ordered 2000 Marks to be paid the King, which he had formerly promised for *Sadberge* and other Honors.

He died at *Hoveden* on Saturday the 3<sup>d</sup>. day of *March* 1194, from whence his Body was conveyed with suitable State and Magnificence to Durham, and according to his own directions, interred among his Predecessors in the Chapter house.

When Treasurer of *York*, he begat three Natural Children, all Sons, but after he was made Bishop, he grew more virtuous and chaste, at least he is never charged by those who wrote his life; as guilty of Lewdness, or having any other base Issue.

His eldest Son *Henry* was born of a Gentlewoman of noble Extraction, and betaking himself to Arms, became a valiant and famous Captain.

The second, named *Burchard* was made Treasurer of *York*, by K. *Richard* 1. his Father having long before granted him (tho' a bad Man and incapable by the Canons) the Archdeaconry of *Durham*, and Rectory of *Acclat* (*i. e.* *Auckland*) and loaded him with many other Ecclesiastical Benefices and Promotions to a great Value, which he enjoyed but one or two years after his Fathers death, dying on the 6<sup>th</sup>. of December 1196, leaving all his Effects for the establishing a Cell at *Finchale*.

The third, named *Hugh* (whom the old Bishop loved most tenderly of all) by his Fathers great Interest, and no less Expence, became Chancellor to *Lewis* the seventh King of France: He was so unhappy as to see this his best beloved Son buried. He it was, that *Roger Hoveden* calls the *Earl of Bar upon*  
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*the Seine*, who died at *Auckland* in the year 1189, and was buried (as the same Author says) in the Galilee adjoining to Durham Cathedral.

WE cannot help forming a very disadvantageous Idea of this Prelate's Character, if We take it (as we ought) from the Historians his Contemporaries: Unbounded Ambition, Avarice, and Lust, the reigning Vices of the Clergy in those times, were most predominant in him; the first evidently appears, by his grasping at Secular Preferments and Dignities; the second, in loading his Palatinate with many Impositions and greivous Taxes; the third, in the number of his Bastards, tho' he was obliged as an Ecclesiastick to Celibacy. For particulars, I leave the Historians of that Age, more fully to relate.



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## A Series of the Masters.

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THE name of the first Person appointed to preside over this Hospital was *Ernald* or *Arnald*, Chaplain to Bishop *Hugh*, and probably put in at the Foundation 1184.

*Arnald de Auclent.*

About 16 years after viz. 1200, *Arnald de Auclent* (same Person I presume) a Native of *Auckland* in this County occurs, who under the title of *Reclor* of the House of Lepers, made a Composition with *Philip Ballon* Parson of *Bishop Middleham*, concerning the Tyths of the Township of *Garmondsway* in the year 1203, how long he continued, We know not. \* He gave all his Land lying near the Church of *St. John del Pyke* to the Priory of *Gisburne*.

*Martin de Sancta Cruce.*

The next after him that I meet with, is, † *Sir Martin of the Holy Cross* ( *de Sancta Cruce* ) who is sometimes stiled *Proclor*, and sometimes *Reclor* in the Year 1245. When *Ethelmar* Son of *Hugh* Earl of March by *Isabel* the Queen, and

\* Vide *Burton's Monasticon Ebor.* p. 354.

† Sir ( *Dominus* ) was a Title usually given to all Clergymen not graduated in our Universities. Vide *Fuller*.



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and so half Brother to King *Henry* the third, was by that King's Procurement made Rector of *Weremouth* in 1249, and had many rich Benefices bestowed on him, especially in the Northern parts, he appointed this *Martin* (called by *Matt. Paris*, *Vir prudentissimus*) his Steward: Its certain *Martin* held the Prebend of *Holme Episcopi* in the Church of York before 1260, to which on his resignation *Hugh de Bessy* succeeded 4<sup>th</sup>. May 1267. He was well beneficed, (tho' the names and titles of all his Preferments are not delivered down to us) as appears by his Will made the latter end of King *Henry* the third's reign, whereby he orders his body to be buried in the Cemetary of the Friars Minors, nearest to the place where he should happen to die; unless it should be in the Parish of any of his own Churches, or at York, or *Sherburn*, and then he chuses to be buried there; if amongst the Minorites, he leaves to them 100 Shillings; if at York, his *Capa de rubeo sanuto cum vestimento bruddato integro, et Casula de sanuto rubeo*. To *Sherburn House* he bequeaths his \* *Argenteus Textus*, and *Capa de panno ad aurum, scilicet † Baudekin, cum Vestimento plenario de panno Hispaniæ ad aurum*, and these he would have remain in the Hospital, and also assigns forty Marks for ten Chaplains to perform ten *Annualia cum Placebo et Dirige* every day, with nine benedictions and a commendation, and to read of any Saint; but in every Mass to read a special Collect for his own Soul, and a general one for all the departed &c. at the discretion of his Executors; he also assigns ten Shillings a year for a Pitance (*Pitancia*) on his Anniversary, wherever he should have sepulture; by this, it appears he was buried at *Sherburn*, for on the 14<sup>th</sup>. September, being the day of the exaltation of the Holy Cross, all the Brethren

\* *Argenteus Textus* is mentioned by several Authors to signify the New Testament, it was written also in golden Letters, and carefully preserved in the Churches.—*Jacobs Law Dictionary*.

† *Baudekin* (*Baldicun* and *Baldekinun*) Cloth of *Bauderkin* or Gold: It is said to be the richest Cloth, now called *Brocade*, made with Gold and Silk, or Tissue upon which figures in Silk &c. were imbroidered anno 4 Hen. 8. c. 6. *Erat pannus auro rigidus, plumatoque opere intertextus*: But some Writers account it only Cloth of Silk.

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Brethren and Sisters had that \* Pitance in memory of him every year, till Bishop Kellaw reduced it to five shillings and five pence. See his Constitutions.

Roger de Seyton.

† Master *Roger de Seyton* probably succeeded him, for he occurs by the name of *Custos* about 1269 or 1270. He was Official to Bishop Kirkham 17th. July 1260, when he was sharply reprimanded by the King for his arbitrary and illegal proceedings at his Courts and Visitations, and for compelling 40 Burgeffes of *Newcastle* to appear before him in remote places, and particularly for citing them to *Darlington* contrary to antient custom. Was made a Judge of the Common Pleas 1268, and had Twenty Pounds yearly allowed for his support in that Office. In 1270, he, *William de Northborough*, and *Geoffrey Russell* then high Steward of Durham, were Justiciars Itinerant. In 1274 he and *Hugh de Derlington* Prior of Durham were bound for the Executors of *Robert Stichell* Bishop of Durham, to pay his Debts to the King, and perform his Will. He was Prebendary of *Warthill* in the Church of York which he resigned before the 6th. Dec. 1279, for he was then succeeded by *John Romane* afterwards Archbishop of York.

William de Infula.

*William de Infula* was the next Rector in 1302, of him I can say nothing.

Lambert de Torkyngham.

*Sir Lambert de Torkyngham* otherwise *Trickingham*, probably succeeded before 1317, for in the Month of August that year, he as *Custos*, letts the Tyths of Grain ( *Garbæ* ) in *Newbiging* and *Staynton*, to *William* Abbat of *Blanchland*

\* *Pitance*, a little Repast, or Refection of Fish or Flesh, more than the Common Allowance.

† *Master* was generally understood to signify a Person graduated, whether M. A. - S. T. P. or B. D. or Decretorum.



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*land.* In September 1308, he took the Oaths as one of the Judges of the Common Pleas; in 1317 was Associate with *William Inge* Chief Justice of the Kings Bench and other Justices, and made a Baron of the Exchequer 6th. August 1322.

Thomas de Hessewell.

*Sir Thomas de Hessewell* was in possession of the House before 1330. He is the first I meet with called by the name of Master ( *Magister* ) was Rector of *Sedgefield* anno 1313, and died before 14th. October 1339, for *Nicholas Gategang* *Persona de Ryton*, *Simon de Efsb* Vicecomes Dunelm. and *Thomas de Bedale* Capellanus, occur at that time his Executors on the Chancery Rolls.

Thomas de Nevill.

Master *Thomas de Nevill* succeeded in Nov. 1339, collated to the Prebend of *North Kelsey* in the Church of *Lincoln* 1340, being then Archdeacon of Durham; was also a Prebendary in the Churches of *Darlington* and *Hoveden*. 1341 Feb. 4th. collated to the Prebend of *Knareborough* and *Bickhill* in the Church of *York*, and afterwards to the Prebend of *Bole* in the same Church 24th. June 1350, and I believe Rector of *Thorpe-basset* in the County of York, died before 18th. July 1362, for then he was succeeded in the Prebend of *Bole* by *Adrianus Cardinalis*.

Alan de Shuttlyngton.

*Alan de Shuttlyngton* otherwife *Shotlyngton* Presbyter, was Rector of *Middleton Saint George* in the County of Durham anno 1359, and on the death of *Thomas Nevill* was collated by *Bishop Hatfield* to this Hospital 15th. August 1362. He was capital Steward of the Bishops Halmot Courts about ten or twelve years, viz. from 1360 to 1372, Occurs his Vicar General in 1365. Was Vicar or Rector of *Hemingburgh* in the Archdeaconry of Cleveland 1362,

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if not before, living in Feb. 1372; when he had a Grant in reversion of a Messuage and Lands at *Hoveden* to him and his Heirs for ever by the afore-said Bishop.

Thomas de Bernolby:

Sir *Thomas de Bernolby* Chaplain, on *Shuttlyngtons* resignation was collated by *Bishop Hatfield* 17<sup>th</sup>. August 1367, he occurs again as Master 24<sup>th</sup>. Sep. 1380, which is all I know of him.

John de Waltham.

Sir *John de Waltham* I presume succeeded by the Collation of *Bishop Fordham*. I meet with him as Master 8<sup>th</sup>. May 1384, when he had liberty of \* Free Warren granted him in all his Demefne Lands of *Sherburn, Whitwell, Garmondsway, and Ebchester*, and on the 10<sup>th</sup>. of July following he had the Bishops licence to receive a Messuage with the Appurtenances in *Ebchester* for the better support of the Hospital ( notwithstanding the Act of Mortmain ) from Sir *John de Neville* Knight Lord of *Raby*. He exchanged the Prebend of *Carlton Kyme* in the Church of Lincoln, for the Prebend of *Hoveden* with *Stephen de Ravensfor* 2 July 1382. He resigned the Hospital before 26 June 1391, I suppose in 1388 on being made Bishop of *Sarum* by Papal Provision.

☞ *There are four of this name within the same period of time, and how to fix the several Preferments they each enjoyed, I am at a loss to know.*

John Burgeys.

Sir *John Burgeys* Dean of *Lancaster* 1383, which he resigned, and occurs as Master of this Hospital before June 1391, came in as I conjecture 1388,  
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\* The Privilege of *Free Warren* was this; that within such a Liberty, no one should hunt or destroy the Game of Hare, Coney, Partridge, or Pheasant, without his leave to whom the said privilege was granted, under the Penalty of Ten Pounds, a great Sum in those Days! — *Kennets Parochial Antiquities*.



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on the Promotion of *John de Waltham* to the Bishoprick of Sarum: He was collated to the Deanry of *Auckland* 1395 on the death of *Hugh de Westwick* by *Bishop Skirlaw*, and in 1408, whilst Dean was appointed by *Bishop Langley* one of his Auditors for examining the Accounts of Bailiffs, Collectors, Tenants &c. of the Bishoprick, having been removed from the Hospital five years before by *Bishop Skirlaw* for male Administration.

### Alan de Newark.

*Alan de Newark* Clerk collated by *Bishop Skirlaw* 3 January 1403, on the removal of *John Burgeys*. In 1408 he was made Archdeacon of Durham, which Preferment he held a small time only, resigning the 15 February in the same year, reserving perhaps a Pension to himself, as was the usual practice in those days. The last Act of his on the Rolls whilst he continued Master of the Hospital, was the granting a long Lease of some Lands and Tenements in *Gateshead* to *John Boterell* dated 1 May 1309, Witnesses amongst others *Thomas Sepp* and *William de Byshopton* Bailiffs of Durham, and *William de Leventon* then Steward of the Hospital. He resigned I presume, on the 18th. of January 1409.

### John Newton.

*Sir John Newton* of *Litchfield* Diocese Presbyter, was collated to the Hospital by *Bishop Langley* 19 January 1409, void by the cession of *Alan de Newark*. Instituted to the Rectory of *Ash* in *Essex* 7 Feb. 1395, which he exchanged with *John Worsball* for the Rectory of *St. Benet Sherehog* in London, in which he was instituted 22 July 1396. Collated to the Rectory of *Houghton le spring* in 1412, and to *Bishop Weremouth* in 1424. Died before 6 April 1427, for on that day he was succeeded in the Rectory of *Saint Benet Sherehog* by *Thomas Dale*. These three last Churches and *Sherburn Hospital* he kept to his dying day; was a true *Chop-Church*, for he chopped and changed six or eight Churches in the single County of *Essex*; was a very bad Man, and  
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what by granting Corrodies, and annual Pensions, and other iniquitous practices, he almost ruin'd the Hospital Estate, and shamefully suffered the Buildings and Outhouses to go to decay: He seems to have been a great Favourite of *Bishop Langley*, who did not see, or at least connived at his faults and ill conduct in the management of this House.

*A John Newton was Master of St. Edmunds Hospital in Gateshead about 1408, but whether the same Man I know not; however he must not be confounded with Master John Newton Rector of Washington and Haughton, for they were contemporary together.*

### Nicholas Dixon.

*Nicholas Dixon* Presbyter, was one of the Executors of *Ralph Neville* Earl of Westmerland in 1424. Collated by *Bishop Langley* to this Hospital 28<sup>th</sup>. Nov. 1427. Was Prebendary of *Wetwang* in the Church of York 1432, also of *Hoveden* and *Sarum*. Clerk of the Pipe, Under Treasurer, and at last Baron of the Exchequer. Rector of *Chebbunt* in the County of *Herts* thirty years, which Church he rebuilt, partly by his own bounty, and partly by the Contribution of others; was buried in the Chancel there 30<sup>th</sup>. October 1448, with the following Epitaph, more to be noted for truth than wit.

O miserere Jesu famuli Dixon Nicholai,  
Cui brevis hospitium tumulus præstat satis amplum  
Istud qui Fanum ter denis rexerat annis  
Ad cujus fabricam Bursas proprias, alias;  
Solvit et allexit: quo crevit in ardua Templum.  
Pulchrum Cancellum, tibi dat, pia Virgo novellum;  
Dum laudaris eo, famulo suffragia præstes.  
Clericus hic Pipæ, Subthesaurarius, inde  
Baro Scaccarii, se juste gessit ubique,  
Pacem Pauperibus dans, cedat divitis iras.  
Larga manus relevat quas pauperies fera pressit.  
Anno Milleno C. quater, bis bis deca Christi  
Octavo moriens, mutans terrestria cælis,  
Octobris luce ter dena transit ad astra,  
Auxiliare prece qui perlegis hæc Nicholao,  
Ut sibi cum sanctis præstetur vita perennis.



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1429 Sept. 4. *Bishop Langley* issued out a Commission directed to *William Chaunceller* his Temporal Chancellor, *Thomas Holden* Steward of the Halmot Court, and five others, to visit and examine the Dilapidations of the Hospital: Upon the Commissioners reporting the miserable condition and Poverty thereof, the Bishop thought proper to apply to the Pope (*Eugene the 4th.*) instead of his lawful Sovereign for redress, who readily granted a Faculty or Commission to the Bishop to make new Rules and Ordinances for the better Government thereof, which he accordingly made on the 22<sup>d</sup>. July 1434, whereby he appointed a Presbyter to be Master, and that he should keep four Chaplains, four Clerks or singing Men, and two Boy Chaunters; also two Lepers (if they could be found) were to be maintained apart by themselves, and thirteen poor Men, to be provided with Meat and Drink of tenpence value every week, or tenpence in ready money at their own option, and have yearly the sum of six shillings and eightpence for Fuel and Cloaths; to mess and lodge in the same House, and daily to attend Mass; upon the death of a Brother, another poor Man to be chosen by the Master within fifteen days, under the penalty of paying a Mark to the Fabrick of the Church of Durham; a sober (*honest*) Woman Servant to attend the Brethren to wash their Linnen, and do other offices at the Masters expence; the Master to have the care of all the Goods and Buildings of the Hospital, and to take an Oath for the due performance of all those things.

These good Orders and Regulations of *Bishop Langley*, together with those in the Queens Act of Incorporation, have in the main been adopted by all the succeeding Bishops when they visited the Hospital; *Bishop Fox* alludes to them in his Collation of *Robert Dykar*, and *Bishop Chandler* in particular seems to have had a great eye towards them at his Visitation in 1735.

John

John Marchall.

*John Marchall* L. L. B. on the resignation of *Nicholas Dyxson* was collated to the Mastership by *Bishop Langley* 23 July 1433. He was Vicar General to the said Bishop and visited the Prior and Convent of Durham 4<sup>th</sup>. January 1437 in the Bishops stead, when *John Wessington* the Prior, and a swarm of 60 lazy Drones ( who would have been much better employed in carrying Muskets or following the Plough tail ) appeared and answered to their names. The last time I meet with him as Master, is 18<sup>th</sup>. April 1458, when he was fined for not doing suite and service at the Bishops Halmot Court at *Woltingham*. 1466 March 23 was made Prebendary of *Grindale* in the Church of York, which he resigned to *Alexander Leghe* about Sept. 1471.

When *Marchall* died or resigned I cannot find, and it is hard to presume he held this Hospital to the year 1490, about which time *Alexander Lyghe* came in; from 1433 to 1490, is a period of 57 years, a space too great to be allow'd him, tho' he might die an old Man: His immediate Successor is yet unknown, there being no Episcopal Registers remaining from the death of *Langley* till *Bishop Fox's* time.

Alexander Lyghe.

*Alexander Lyghe*, *Lye*, *Legh*, or *Lee*, for so I find his name variously spelt, was educated at Eton, and admitted Scholar of Kings College in Cambridge 1452, where he commenced Batchelour in the Decrees. Install'd a Canon of *Windsor* 1469, Prebendary of *Grindale* in the Church of York, admitted 14 Sept. 1471, void by the cession of *John Marchall*. Prebendary of *Hoveden*, and Rector of *St. Brides* in London, presented 26 Sept. 1471 which he resigned in 1485. He was employed in many Affairs by King Richard the 3<sup>d</sup>. and



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and in 1484 had a Grant of diverse Offices in the Town and Port of *Berwick upon Tweed*, and on the 31 of June in the same year, a Warrant was directed to aid and assist the Kings full trusty Clerk and Councillor Mr. *Alexander Lye* in taking up of all Vessells, Souledeours, Mariners, Artificers, Labourers, Carts, Botts, and alle other Stuffe, as Horses, Waynes, and alle such Tymber and Stones as he shall think necessary for the Kings use. Collated to *Sherburn Hospital* by Bishop *Sherwood* about 1489, being then Rector of *Houghton le spring*. Also made Temporal Chancellor of *Durham* by the same Bishop 1490; soon after viz. the next year, he was struck with the Palsy, and had a Coadjutor ( *Robert Kent D. D.* ), assigned to manage the Affairs of the Hospital and his Church at *Houghton*, which he resigned 3 Dec. 1500, and the Hospital in 1501; had an annual Pension of sixty Pounds assigned out of the profits of *Houghton Living* during his life, a thing very common in those days, tho' now accounted illegal and Simoniacal.

### Robert Dykar.

*Robert Dykar* Clerk was collated to this Hospital by *Bishop Fox* the 17th. July 1501, on the resignation of *Alexander Lyghe*, being ordained Subdeacon by him 27 March 1501 four Months before. He is called a \*Notary Publick of the Diocese of *Bath & Wells*, from whence he was brought by *Bishop Fox* on his Translation from that See, and was by him made Registrary of the Diocese of *Durham*, and in 1503 granted or sold the Advowson or next turn of *Kellow Church* to *Sir William Bulmer Knt.* according to the infamous practice of that time, but this Grant I believe never took effect, for on the death of the Incumbent *Bishop Tunstall* collated in his own right ( or rather of mere will and pleasure ) *George Baytes* Clerk 4th. May 1536, and on his resignation

\* A Notary's place was formerly so well esteemed, that Gentlemen did not think it beneath them to execute it.

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resignation collated *William Bennet* D. D. 4<sup>th</sup>. March 1547, so that the Advowson to *Kelloe* was intirely lost to the Hospital, and taken away from the Masters disposal. Tho' *Bishop Fox* commended *Dykar* for his care and diligence in keeping up the Buildings of the Hospital &c. (as may be seen in his instrument of Collation) yet as soon as the Bishop was translated to *Winchester*, he suffered the House to run to ruin and decay, and shamefully converted all the Revenues to his own private use. When and where he died I know not.

### Roderick Gundisalve.

Dr. *Roderick Gundisalve* of Puebla in Spain, Orator from the Spanissh Court, or in the modern Phrase Charges des Affaires, was presented to this Hospital on the death of *Robert Dykar* by K. Henry 7<sup>th</sup>. on the 11<sup>th</sup>. May 1507 (during the vacancy of the See) to hold the same during pleasure, but how long he continued Master, or for what services done, he obtained the grant of this House, I cannot learn.

### Geoffrey Wren.

*Geoffrey Wren* Clerk probably succeeded, but in what year is uncertain. Being one of the Kings Chaplains was presented to the Rectory of *Bolden* in this County 27<sup>th</sup>. June 1502, in the Vacancy of the See. Instituted to the Prebend of *South Cave* in the Church of York 1508, which he exchanged with *John Withers* for *Knaresbrough cum Bickhill* in the same Church 16<sup>th</sup>. Dec. 1512. Admitted Prebendary of *Curborough* in the Cathedral of *Litchfield* 4<sup>th</sup>. April 1511, which he resigned, and became readmitted 7<sup>th</sup>. Dec. 1512 was then Rector of *St. Margarets* new Fish Street London, and of *Hanflap* in the County of Bucks. Installed a Canon of *Windfor* 1515, Died the 5<sup>th</sup>. of April 1527 and was buried in St. Georges Chappel at Windfor with the following



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following Inscription on a ledge of brass around his Gravestone.

*Hic jacet humatum corpus Venerabilis Viri Magistri Galfridi Wren  
quondam hujus Collegii Canonici necnon illustris . . . . . qui obiit quinto  
die mensis Aprilis anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo vicesimo septimo  
Cujus animæ propicietur Deus amen.*

On the middle of the same Stone is his Image in brass with the Mantle of  
St. George, and under his feet these words,

*Sub saxo ponor, et vermibus ultimo donor,  
Et sicut ponor, ponitur omnis honor.*

His Obit was kept at Windsor the 4<sup>th</sup>. of April.

Edward Fox.

*Edward Fox* s. r. p. was born at *Duresley* in Gloucestershire, educated at  
*Eton* School, and admitted of Kings College Cambridge 27<sup>th</sup>. March 1512,  
whereof he was made Provost 27<sup>th</sup>. Dec. 1528, and continued so 'till his  
death. Prebendary of *Osbaldwick* in York Cathedral 8<sup>th</sup>. Nov. 1527, and I  
suppose collated to this Hospital the same year. Installed Archdeacon of  
*Leicester* 27<sup>th</sup>. Sept. 1531. Collated to the Archdeaconry of *Dorset* 25<sup>th</sup>.  
Nov. 1533. Was often Ambassador in Germany, Italy, and elsewhere, being  
the Kings Almoner, and became consecrated Bishop of *Hereford* 25<sup>th</sup>. Sept.  
1535. He wrote many Books, amongst which that intitled, *de vera differ-*  
*entia regiae potestatis et ecclesiasticae* was his Masterpeice and had the honor to  
be translated by that learned and accomplished Nobleman *Henry Lord Stafford*  
the only Son of *Edward Duke of Bucks* attainted and executed for Treason  
in 1521. *Bishop Fox* had the character of *Vir egregie doctus, et Reformationis*  
*fautor*; was the principal Pillar of the Reformation, as to the managery of  
the Politick and Prudential part thereof, being of more activity, and no less  
ability

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ability than *Cranmer* himself, whom he first brought to the Kings notice.

Died at London 8<sup>th</sup>. May 1538, and by his Will dated the same day, and proved the 20<sup>th</sup>. March following, appointed to be buried in *Saint Mary Montebault* Church London, which was done, but without any Monument erected to his Memory.

### Thomas Leghe.

*Thomas Leghe* Dr. of Laws was collated to this Hospital by *Bishop Tunstall* 14<sup>th</sup>. Sept. 1535 on the promotion of *Edward Fox* to the See of *Hereford*. He had his education at *Eton* School, and was admitted of *Kings College Cambridge* 1509. Was a Master in Chancery, and in 1535 appointed by *K. Henry* 8<sup>th</sup>. one of the Commissioners and Visitors for suppressing Religious Houses and Monasteries. On the 22<sup>d</sup>. October 1535 he as Deputy or Surrogate to *Lord Cromwell* Vicar General, visited the University of *Cambridge jure regio*. There are many Letters of his to *Lord Cromwell* among the *Harleian MSS*. In 1540 Dec. 29 and 31 the two Abbies of *Durham* and *Nesham* were surrendered to him, and he had Grants of the Scites of several Priories and Abbies in different parts of the Kingdom amounting to 827. 8. 0 a year. *Weaver* in his Funeral Monuments p. 104 says, that *Dr. Leyton* and *Dr. Lee* who had been joined in Commission with *Cromwell* for the Visitation of Religious Foundations, were maliciously detracted by a demand of *Captain Aske* and his fellow Rebels viz. "that *Dr. Lee* and *Dr. Leyton* may have condigne Punishment for theyr extortions in time of Visitation in Brybes, of some Religious Houses x Pound, xx Pounds, and for other Summes, besyde Horsys, Vowsens, Leases undre Covent Seallys by them taken, and other abominable Actes by them committed and done" The Scite of the Priory of *Nostell* in the County of *York* was given to him 31 Hen. 8<sup>th</sup>. He died in 1545 and was buried in the Church of *St. Leonards Shoreditch* London, with this

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Inscription on a flat Stone,

*Sir Tho. Liggh Doctor of Law 1545.*

**Anthony Bellaffis.**

*Anthony Bellaffis* alias *Bellaffysse* succeeded *Dr. Leghe* about the year 1545, was the younger Son of *Thomas Bellaffis* of *Henknowle* in this County Esq. and ordained a Priest by *Bishop Tunstall* the 7<sup>th</sup>. of June 1533. He had many Preferments both Civil and Ecclesiastical. 1530 Aug. 1 was collated to the Prebend of *Chester in Chester in the street*. 1533 May 4<sup>th</sup>. collated to the Rectory of *Whickham*. Vicar of *St. Oswalds* in *Durham* 1533, which he resign'd the next year. 1539 March 3<sup>d</sup>. instituted to the Rectory of *Branspeth*. Installed a Prebendary of *Westminster* 17<sup>th</sup>. Dec. 1540. On the 9<sup>th</sup>. Nov. 1541 collated to the second Prebend called *Auckland Prebend* in *Auckland Collegiate Church*. Prebendary of *Rippon* in *Yorkshire*. 1543 April 27<sup>th</sup>. Archdeacon of *Colchester*, and on the 16<sup>th</sup>. of January in the same year, installed Prebendary of *Heydour cum Walton* in *Lincoln Cathedral*. Master of *St. Edmunds Hospital* in *Gatehead*; a Master in Chancery, and one of the four specially appointed by K. Henry 8<sup>th</sup>. in 1544 to hear Causes and pass Decrees in the Court of Chancery in the absence of *Sir Thomas Wriothesley* the Lord Chancellor, and in the reign of *Edward the 6<sup>th</sup>*. being wrote *Anthony Belass* Esquire was one of the Kings Council in the North. On the dissolution of the Monasteries, he obtained a Grant of *Newborough Abbey* in the County of *York*, valued at 457. 13. 5 which he afterwards gave to his Nephew *Sir William Bellaffysse* Knt. and is now the Seat of *Earl Fauconberg*. On the 16<sup>th</sup>. Dec. 1549 was installed in the Prebend of *Knaresbrough cum Bickhill* in the Cathedral of *York*. Died in July 1552.

**Richard Read.**

*Richard Read* was of *New College* in *Oxford*, Doctor of both Laws, an  
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able Civilian of his time, valued by K. Henry 8<sup>th</sup>. who dub'd him a Knight after his return from *Bulloigne* in 1554. Was a Benefactor to both the Colleges of *William of Wykeham*, one of the Visitors of the University in the time of Edward the 6<sup>th</sup>. Master of the Requests, and one of the Commissioners who deprived *Bishop Tunstall*, who had been committed to the Tower 20<sup>th</sup>. December 1551 upon an Information (by *Ninian Menvill* of *Sledwisch* in the County of Durham) of Misprison of Treason, and depriv'd of his Bishoprick 11 Oct. 1552, and remain'd a Prisoner all the rest of Edwards reign. *Anthony Bellasis* late Master of the Hospital dying in July 1552 (the Bishop then in Prison) *Richard Read* was put in Master by the King, but notwithstanding this, the Bishop collated in his own right *Anthony Salvayn*. On Queen Marys accession to the Throne in August 1553, *Bishop Tunstall* was delivered from his Imprisonment and reinstated in his Bishoprick, when *Read* (I suppose) quietly quitted his pretensions to the Hospital, and *Anthony Salvayn* took possession thereof.

### Anthony Salvayn.

*Anthony Salvayn* was a younger Son of *Gerrard Salvayn* of *Croxdale* in this County Esquire. Collated to the Prebend of *Norton* 10<sup>th</sup>. May 1544, and to the Rectory of *Winstone* 23 Sept. 1545, which he resigned in 1559. Collated to *Sherburn Hospital* 13<sup>th</sup>. August 1552, and to the twelfth Stall in Durham Cathedral 12<sup>th</sup>. October 1556, which he resign'd being collated to the 11<sup>th</sup>. Stall 3<sup>d</sup>. Sept. 1558. Was sent up as Proxy by the Dean and Chapter of Durham to appear before *Cardinal Pole* and the Queens Commissioners 30<sup>th</sup>. October, 3<sup>d</sup>. and 4<sup>th</sup>. *Phil. & Mary*, when the Corrective Statutes for the Cathedral were made, which were probably kept by the Cardinal, and by his Executors sent to Rome, for they never came back again, and perhaps are now in the Vatican. Elected Master of University College in Oxford 1<sup>st</sup>. June 1557, which he resign'd before 10<sup>th</sup>. Dec. 1558. Vicar General



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General or Spiritual Chancellor to the Bishop of Durham on the death of *Dr. Robert Hyndmer* 1558. Collated to *Ryton* 28<sup>th</sup>. April 1558 by *Gerrard Salvayn* Senr. and *Gerrard Salvayn* Jun. Patrons for this turn by the gift of *Bishop Tunstall* 29<sup>th</sup>. July 1550, the Bishop however (then living) collated him in his own right; he resign'd, being collated to the Rectory of *Sedgefield* 20<sup>th</sup>. Dec. 1558. Was depriv'd before 29<sup>th</sup>. Nov. 1559 (for on that day *John Henshaw* was install'd in the Prebend) and enjoined to remain in the Town of *Kirby moor side* in the County of York, or elsewhere in the said County, the City of York excepted, so that he pass not above five Miles Northward. He is said to be meanly learned, but of estimation in the Country, upon his Family account I suppose. See *Strype*.

### Ralph Skynner.

*Ralph Skynner* was of New College in Oxford 12<sup>th</sup>. July 1536, whether he took the degree of Master of Arts, or of any other Faculty in that University, is uncertain; yet when he was elected Warden of New College in the beginning of May 1551, he is said to be Master of Arts. He resign'd the Wardenship before the 11<sup>th</sup>. Sept. 1553 (for on that day was *Thomas Whyte* L. L. D. elected) and was a Member of the House of Commons in 1554 for the Burrough of *Bossiney* in Cornwall. In 1559 was presented to the Mastership of this Hospital, on the deprivation of *Anthony Salvayn* by *Dr. Grindall* Visitor of the Bishoprick, the See of Durham being then vacant and in *Q. Elizabeths* hands. He was recommended to the Queen by Archbishop *Parker* (who esteem'd him learned, wise, and expert) as a fit Person for the Deanry of Durham, to which he was preferred by Letters Patent in January or Feb. 1560, and install'd the 1<sup>st</sup>. March following, being then only Master of Arts. In 1561 was made Temporal Chancellor of Durham by *Bishop Pilkington*, and on the 22<sup>d</sup>. June in the same year he preached a Recantation Sermon at Pauls Cross, giving Men warning of a Note Book which he had printed, and bade every

every Man take heed of it, for it was he said, *very Heresy*. In 1562 being B. D. and Dean of Durham, he was collated to the Rectory of *Sedgefield*, void by deprivation or non-residence of *Adam Lofthouse* who went into Ireland as Chaplain to the Lord Lieutenant. He died 21<sup>st</sup>. January 1562, as I find by a mss. note, but where buried I cannot learn, tho' *Willis* supposes at *Sedgefield*, but without any foundation, as there appears no account of it in the Parish Register.

Thomas Lever.

*Thomas Lever* was born in Lancashire, became Fellow and Batchelor of Divinity of St. Johns College Cambridge, whereof he was chosen Master in 1551. Collated to Sherburn Hospital 28<sup>th</sup>. January 1562, and to the 8<sup>th</sup>. Prebend in Durham Cathedral 21<sup>st</sup>. February following. In the begining of Queen Mary's reign, he was forc'd to fly beyond Seas with his two Brothers, and became the principal Pastor (for they had three others) of the English Exiles at *Arrow* and *Zurich* in *Switzerland*, where he imbibed Puritannical notions, and an aversion to the Priestly Habits. Was an eloquent Preacher, and a sincere Professor of true Religion, and highly valued for his Learning and Piety. *Bale* says he was *Virtutum in omni mansuetudine seminator*. He printed three Sermons in the year 1573, the first preached in the Shrewds upon Romans xiii from v. 1 to v. 7. *Let every Soul be subject to the higher Powers &c.* the second before King Edward, upon John vi v. 5. to v. 14. *When Jesus then lift up his Eyes and saw a great Company come unto him, he saith unto Philip, whence shall We buy Bread that these may eat &c.* the third at Pauls Cross upon 1 Cor. iv. 1. *Let a Man so account of Us, as of the Ministers of Christ, and Stewards of the Mysteries of God.* He also wrote a Comment on the Lords Prayer, and in 1575 printed a Book, intituled *The right way from danger of Sin and Vengeance in this wicked World, unto godly Wealth*  
and



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*and Salvation in Christ.* Archdeacon of *Coventry* in 1558, and on *Q. Elizabeths* accession to the Crown, when he return'd to England, he compounded for its first Fruits in 1560. Some years after on a Journey home to the Hospital of *Sherburn* (which he was permitted to retain on account of the scarcity of Preachers, tho' deprived of his Prebend for Nonconformity) falling sick by the way, died at *Ware* the begining of July 1577, his body was brought to and interred adjoining the South wall within the Altar Rails of the Chappel of *Sherburn* Hospital, under a blue Marble Stone, whereon is cut a Cross Flory with a Bible and Chalice, denoting him (as I conjecture) an itinerant Preacher thro' England, and on a brass Plate is the following Infcription,

THOMAS LEAVER PREACHER

TO KING EDWARD THE SIXTE

HE DIED IN IVLY 1577.

Ralph Lever.

*Ralph Lever* was Brother to *Thomas Lever* the last Master, and an Exile with him in *Switzerland*. In 1562 he published his assertions touching the Canon Law, the English Papists, and the Ecclesiastical Officers of the Realm, with a Petition to Queen Elizabeth for redress. 1565 Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>. was collated to the Rectory of *Washington*, which he resigned to *John Lever* Clerk his Brother or near Relation I presume in the vacancy of the See; *John Lever* was accordingly presented by the Queen, and instituted the 23<sup>d</sup>. Feb. 1576, but whether the Institution was irregular, *Anthony Garforth* Clerk claimed and possessed the Rectory till his death in 1580. On the 21<sup>st</sup>. August 1566 he was collated to the Archdeaconry of Northumberland, and resigned the same unwillingly 20<sup>th</sup>. October 1573 (as Courtiers often do their places) to avoid deprivation for not executing that Office as by Law he ought, in  
subordination

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subordination to the Bishops Orders. 1567 October 17<sup>th</sup>. he was by Mandate from *Bishop Pilkington* (whose Chaplain he was) installed in the fifth Prebend of Durham Cathedral, also Rector of *Stanhope* in 1575, which he resign'd in 1577, and on the 16<sup>th</sup>. of July 1577 collated to the Mastership of this Hospital. He was a troublesome Nonconformist, and very disobedient to his Patron in trifles and frivolous matters. Died in 1585.

✧ In his time an Act of Parliament passed in the 27<sup>th</sup>. year of Queen Elizabeth 1584, for the Incorporation of this Hospital, by the name of *Christs Hospital in Sherborne near Durham*. See the Act.

### Valentine Dale.

*Valentine Dale* LL.D. was of All Souls Oxford, admitted Batchelor of Laws 1545, and Doctor of the Civil Law 1552, afterwards Master of the Requests and Dean of *Wells* 1574. In 1573 he went Ambassador to France, upon the recall of *Sir Francis Walsingham* to be Secretary of State, and sends an account of the State of Affairs there. In 1577 appointed by Q. Elizabeth a Commissioner with others to treat with the K. of Portugal to try Pirates, and enquire into Dilapidations of the late *Bishop of Norwich*. 1584 March 22<sup>d</sup>. presented to the Mastership of *Sherburn Hospital* by vertue of an Advowson granted to *Henry* and *John Goldsmith* of York Gentlemen by *Bishop Barnes* for one turn only. In 1588 sent Ambassador to the Prince of Parma Viceroy of the Low Countries for the King of Spain, to expostulate with him about a Book written by *Cardinal Alleyn*, wherein he exhorted the Nobility and People of England and Ireland to join the Spanish Forces under the Prince to invade England, but the Prince pretended he knew nothing of such a Book, and sent *Mr. Dale* away unsatisfied. He died in his House near St. Pauls London the 17<sup>th</sup>. Nov. 1589, and was buried in the Parish Church of *St. Gregory*, leaving a Daughter named *Dorothy*, married to



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to *Sir John North* Son and Heir to *Roger Lord North*.

Immediately after the death of *Dr. Dale*, *Bishop Hutton* bestowed the Hospital on a Nephew of his, viz. *Robert Hutton* B.D. a noted Tutor, and senior Fellow of Trinity College in Cambridge, who declined accepting the same, and interceded for *Dr. Bellamy* then a Prebendary of Durham by way of exchange. See the *Bishops Letter to the Lord Treasurer Burleigh*, page

Robert Bellamy.

*Robert Bellamy* born in Yorkshire, was of Exeter College, and took the degree of Batchelor of Arts 8<sup>th</sup>. May 1556. Admitted Fellow of Trinity College Oxford by *Sir Thomas Pope* the Founder 30<sup>th</sup>. May 1556. I find him nominated one of the first Fellows of St. Johns College Oxford by *Sir Thomas Whyte* the Founder in the Charter dated 7<sup>th</sup>. March 1557, this appointment however he did not accept, for he occurs one of the Burfars of Trinity College 1564, and took the degree of Master of Arts 28<sup>th</sup>. May 1560 afterwards proceeded in Physick, and (as I suppose) by Dispensation took the degree of Batchelor in Physick 16<sup>th</sup>. Dec. 1562, and on the 23<sup>d</sup>. June 1571 that of Doctor in Physick, having quitted his Fellowship in 1565, and removed to Saint Johns as an independent Member. Was ordained Deacon and Priest by *Bishop Pilkington* at Auckland on the 10<sup>th</sup>. of Dec. 1573, being then A.M. and in *Medicinis* Doctor. Was Chaplain to *Bishop Barnes*, and by him collated to the Rectory of *Egglescliff* in this County 14<sup>th</sup>. Feb. 1577, having been collated by *Bishop Pilkington* Prebendary of the third Stall in Durham Cathedral 10<sup>th</sup>. Oct. 1577, void by the resignation of *John Fox* the famous Martyrologist. Instituted to the Rectory of *Whalton* in Northumberland, 9<sup>th</sup>. Aug. 1579, on the Presentation of *Thomas Baytes* Gentleman, on the death of *Bartholomew Bartley*; this Rectory he soon after resigned, being collated to that of *Houghton le spring* by *Bishop Barnes* 25<sup>th</sup>. January

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1584 on the death of *Bernard Gilpin* the Northern Apostle. In Nov. 1589 was collated to the Mastership of this Hospital by *Bishop Hutton*, having exchanged his Rectory and Prebend for it. This Bishop in his Letter to the Lord Treasurer *Burleigh* calls him *an honest Man, a Preacher and a Physician, fit to have charge both of the Souls and Bodies of the poor impotent sick Persons of that Hospital*. He died about Dec. 1608, and is characterized with others of the College of Durham, in a Latin Manuscript Poem preserved among *Anthony a Woods* Papers in the *Asbmolean* Museum, intitled, *Iter Boreale*, written by *Dr. Richard Eedes* Canon of Christ Church, and afterwards Dean of *Worcester*, this Journey was taken in the year 1584. In the Register of the University of *Oxford* is the following entry,

1562 April 10. *Supplicat Robertus Bellamy A. M. quatenus gratiose cum eo dispensetur, ut amplius prælegere non teneatur, causa est, quia tot et tantis negotiis domi impeditur, ut nullo pacto prælegere possit. Concess. modo substituat alium. Non observat Conditionem.*

### Thomas Murray.

*Thomas Murray* Esquire a Scotchman, descended from the antient and honorable Family of the *Earl of Tullibardine*, was collated to this Hospital in 1608, tho' contrary to the Act of 27th. Eliz. as being a mere Layman, and not even in Deacons Orders. He was a Gentleman of so fine Accomplishments (tho' tinged with Puritanism) that King *James* the first made choice of him as Preceptor (being Master of the Requests and Secretary to him at the same time) to his second Son Prince *Charles* (afterwards K. *Charles 1st.*) and had a Pension of 200 Marks a year granted him in 1605, which he surrendered 27th. January 1613. In regard to the great services he had done



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done that excellent Prince, in the several Branches of polite Literature, and in recompence of his faithful discharge of that weighty Trust, he was made Provost of *Eton College* in the year 1622, where he continued about a year, and died on the 9<sup>th</sup>. April 1623, being then newly cut for the Stone, and was buried in the Chappel of that College, with the following Epitaph,

### TOUTE PREST.

Memoriæ Sacrum.

THOMAS MORAVIUS in *Strathierna Scotia* ex illustri MORAVIORUM  
Tiliberdinorum stirpe per utrumque Parentem ortus, ob pietatem sine  
superstitione, doctrinam sine morositate, sapientiam sine pompa, e multis  
electus fuit, qui CAROLI Eboracensis Ducis illustrissimi Pueritiæ erudiendæ  
adhiberetur; quo in munere, tanta cum fide et industria versatus est, ut  
eidem postea Walliæ Principi renuntiato, a supplicibus libellis, et ab epistolis  
esse promeruerit: Mox vero ad hujus Collegii Præfecturam translatus,  
annum vix unum superfuit; quippe acerbissimo calculi dolore tortus,  
excisionem incredibili patientia, sed infelicitè perpeffus, diem clausit extremum,  
et Collegis suis, et amicis, et bonis omnibus triste sui desiderium relinquens,  
Anno Ætatis 59. Anno Domini 1623. April 9.  
Honorarium hunc tumulum, Conjugalis officii qualecunque Monumentum;

JANA MORAVIA

ex illustri Drummoniorum familia oriunda,  
Uxor mæstissima Marito charissimo

P. P.

William Shawe.

*William Shawe* Master of Arts was collated to this Hospital 11<sup>th</sup>. July 1623 by *Bishop Neile*, on the death of *Thomas Murray*. He was soon after made Doctor in Divinity, and collated to the Rectory of *Egglescliffe* in this County 4<sup>th</sup>. March 1624, holding both this Hospital and the Rectory at the same time, contrary to the Act of the 27<sup>th</sup>. of Q. Elizabeth. On the 25<sup>th</sup>.

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25<sup>th</sup>. August 1635 he had Seven Acres of Land allotted to him in right of the Hospital, upon a Division of the Townfields of *Sherburn*. He died before September 1636.

John Machon.

*John Machon* Master of Arts was born in *Staffordshire* (and as *Walker* in his History of the Suffering Clergy says) a Person of most excellent Conversation, and had his Temporal Estate there put under Sequestration. Was admitted a Prebendary of *Wellington* in the Church of *Lichfield* 9<sup>th</sup>. Sept. 1631, which he resign'd in Sept. 1671 to his Son *Thomas Machon*, who was Chaplain to *Prince Rupert*, and died 27<sup>th</sup>. Feb. 1672 in his Fathers lifetime, and was buried in the Chappel of *Sherburn* Hospital, as appears by his Epitaph there. This *John Machon* was collated to the Vicarage of *Hartburn* in *Northumberland* 24<sup>th</sup>. Sept. 1632, and resign'd it for this Hospital, into which he was inducted 24<sup>th</sup>. Sept. 1636. The Civil Wars breaking out, what between the Kings Army then quarter'd at *Durham*, and the Parliament Army then station'd at *Quarrington*, the Hospital was plundered of its Cattle and Goods, and also of many of its old Charters and Muniments, and *Mr. Machon* the Master thereof was much abused and dispossessed, and one *John Fenwick* (a Tradesman in *Newcastle* and Guide to the Scottish Army) was put in Master, who soon after got an Order from *Oliver Cromwell* to put in his Son *John Fenwick* a Layman to be Master there, whereby *Machon* was kept out of the Hospital eighteen Years. After the Restoration of *K. Charles* the 2<sup>d</sup>. in March 1660, he petitioned the King to be restored, in which he was soon after reinstated, and enjoy'd till his death in December 1679, and was buried in the Hospital Chappel without any Memorial.

✻ The former Masters of this Hospital were obliged to leave their Successors



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*ers Stock to the Value of 400 £. but Bishop Crewe in consideration of Mr. Machons great Losses, and seventeen years Banishment, by an Order dated 13th. September 1676 decreed, that Machon should only leave to his Successor 200 £. in Cattle Hay Corn &c. which Rule, every succeeding Master has been allowed to follow.*

### John Mountague.

*John Mountague* was the fourth Son of *Edward Mountague* Earl of *Sandwich*, by his Lady *Jemima* Daughter of *John Lord Crewe* Baron of *Stene*, born in 1656, and having had his Education at Cambridge, was admitted Master of Trinity College in that University on 3d. May 1683, and in the year 1687 chosen Vice Chancellor. In 1680 he had the Mastership of this Hospital conferred on him by *Bishop Crewe*. Installed in the fifth Prebend of *Durham Cathedral* 10th. Nov. 1683, and removed from thence to the 11th. Stall 20th. January 1692, in which he was installed 3d. June following, and on the 19th. June 1699 was made Dean of *Durham* by King *William*, which he held with this Hospital until his death 23d. Feb. 1727, dying unmarried at London aged 73. He was a sincere Man, a strict Lover of Truth and had the greatest abhorrence of a Lye, even from his Childhood; this remarkable Story is told of him: His Father *Edward Mountague* (afterwards Earl of *Sandwich*) was intimate with *Oliver Cromwell*, who stood Godfather to his third Son, and named after him *Oliver*; Soon after the Restoration, all the Children were introduced to King *Charles 2d.* and *Oliver* (having been instructed before hand by his Father) was ordered, if the King should ask his name, to say *Charles*; but his Brother *John* not being in the Secret, as soon as he heard his Brother tell the King his name was *Charles*, cried out in surprize, *O fie Brother, how can you say so, your name is Oliver!* the King hereupon smiled, and took no further notice thereof.

Thomas

Thomas Rundle.

*Thomas Rundle* was Fellow Commoner of Exeter College in Oxford, admitted Batchelor of the Common Law 26<sup>th</sup>. June 1710, and Doctor 5<sup>th</sup>. July 1723. Treasurer of *Sarum* 1720, and Archdeacon of *Wilts*. He was Chaplain to *Bishop Talbot*, installed in the first Prebend of Durham Cathedral 14<sup>th</sup>. Feb. 1721, and on the 22<sup>d</sup>. Nov. 1722 removed from thence to the 12<sup>th</sup>. Stall (being of greater value) and the same year collated to the Rectory of *Sedgefeld*, which he resign'd on being collated to this Hospital in March 1727. Was also Chaplain to the Lord Chancellor *Talbot* in January 1734, and by him recommended to the King, and nominated to succeed *Dr. Sydall* in the Bishoprick of *Gloucester*, but was opposed by *Dr. Gibson* Bishop of London, on suspicion of Deism, and charged by *Mr. Venn* Minister of St. Antholins, with having spoken very Sceptically concerning *Abrahams offering up his Son Isaac*: This opposition was so strenuously and resolutely carried on, that he was obliged to give up the nomination, and became the subject of much Controversy in Books and Pamphlets; notwithstanding this in Feb. 1734 he was appointed *Bishop of Derry* in *Ireland*, (of greater value) and consecrated the 2<sup>d</sup>. of August 1735, and then resigned all his Preferments in England: After his Promotion, *Mr. Pope* (in the Epilogue to his Satires) pays him the highest Compliment in the following Lines,

*Ev'n in a Bishop I can spy Desert,  
Secker is decent, Rundell has a Heart.*

*Dean Swift* in a Letter from *Ireland* to *Mr. Pope* says; *I have the honour to*  
*" know Dr. Rundle, he is indeed worth all the rest you ever sent Us, but that*  
*" is saying nothing, for he answers your Character; I have dined thrice in his*  
*" Company; he brought over a worthy Clergyman of this Kingdom as his Chaplain,*  
*" which*



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*" which was a very wise and popular action; his only fault is, that he drinks no  
 " Wine, and I drink nothing else: He is esteemed here as a Person of Learning,  
 " Conversation, and Humanity, and is beloved by all People. Mr. Pope in his  
 Answer to the Dean adds " I am glad you think of Dr. Rundle as I do; He  
 " will be an Honour to the Bishops, and a disgrace to one Bishop, two things you  
 " will like; but what you will like more particularly, he will be a Friend and  
 " Benefactor even to your un-friended, un-benefited Nation; He will be a Friend  
 " to Human race wherever he goes; I never saw a Man so seldom, whom I liked  
 " so much as Dr. Rundle "*

He was translated to the Archbishoprick of Dublin in October 1742, this high Station he enjoyed but a short time, dying at Dublin 16<sup>th</sup>. April 1743 and left the bulk of his Fortune to *John Talbot Esqr.* third Son of the Lord Chancellor *Talbot*. He was in all respects a most amiable Person, and well deserving of the just Character drawn by the elegant Pens of *Swift & Pope*. His Letter to *Dr. Sayer* Archdeacon of Durham (written as it were on his Death bed) discovers such a noble fortitude of Mind at the approach of his Dissolution, as could be inspired only by a clear Conscience, and the calm retrospect of an uninterrupted series of Virtue. This excellent Letter is as follows;

*" Dear Sir,*

*Dublin 22<sup>d</sup>. March 1742.*

*" Adieu for ever! perhaps I may be alive when this comes to your hands; more  
 " probably not; but in either condition your sincere wellwisher. Believe me, my  
 " friend, there is no comfort in this World but a life of Virtue and Piety, and no  
 " death supportable but one comforted by Christianity, and its real and rational  
 " hope. The first, I doubt not, you experience daily, may it be long before you want  
 " the second! I have lived to be conviva satur, passed through good report and  
 " evil*

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“ evil report; have not been injured more than outwardly by the last, and solidly  
 “ benefited by the former. May all who love the truth in Jesus Christ, and sin-  
 “ cerely obey the Gospel, be happy; for they deserve to be so, who seek truth in the  
 “ Spirit of love. Adieu! I have no more strength. My affectionate last adieu to  
 “ your Lady. I am &c.

✧ Dr. Rundle when Master of the Hospital advanced the yearly payment to each Inn Brother from Thirty Shillings to Forty.

### Wadham Chandler.

*Wadham Chandler* Master of Arts, was a younger Son of *Dr. Chandler* Bishop of Durham, educated at *Eton School*, and admitted of *Clare-hall Cambridge*. Appointed Vicar General or Spiritual Chancellor to the Bishop 25<sup>th</sup>. Sept. 1731, on the death of *Dr. Exton Sayer*. Collated to the Rectory of *Bishop Weremouth* May 1732, and to *Washington Rectory* in March following, and therein inducted 6<sup>th</sup>. July 1733. Installed in the 12<sup>th</sup>. Prebend of *Durham Cathedral* 21<sup>st</sup>. July 1725; and upon *Dr. Rundle's* resignation was collated to the Mastership of this Hospital 1<sup>st</sup>. August 1735, when he resigned *Bishop Weremouth* and *Washington*. He went to *Aix in France* for the recovery of his health, where he died of an inward Cancer in his Side 2<sup>d</sup>. January 1737, his Body was brought from *France* and buried in *Durham Cathedral* 29<sup>th</sup>. May 1738, in a very private manner.

✧ In August 1735 Bishop Chandler visited this Hospital, when he delivered Articles of Enquiry & Interrogatories to the Master and Brethren, touching their State and Government, to which they put in their Answer; & the Bishop thereupon made new Ordinances and Rules for the better ordering of the Lands and Goods belonging the Hospital, and Government of the Master and Brethren. — See Statutes page

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### Robert Stillingfleet.

*Robert Stillingfleet* was Son of *Dr. James Stillingfleet* Dean of *Worcester*, and Grandson of the learned Bishop of *Worcester*, educated at *Wadham College Oxford*, admitted Master of Arts 1<sup>st</sup>. July 1729, Batchelor and Doctor in Divinity 6<sup>th</sup>. May 1748. Chaplain to *Bishop Talbot* and afterwards to *Bishop Chandler*. Collated to the Rectory of *Gateshead* in 1731, and removed to *Ryton* Rectory in 1732. Prebendary of *Worcester* Feb. 1737. Collated to the Mastership of this Hospital in June 1738, when he resigned *Ryton*, Installed in the fifth Prebend of *Durham Cathedral* 20<sup>th</sup>. July 1743. Died at *Bristol* the 3<sup>d</sup>. of August 1759, of an Ulcer in his Lungs, aged 58, having held his Prebend 16 and the Hospital 21 years.

### David Gregory

*David Gregory* Doctor in Divinity, was the first Professor of Modern History at *Oxford*, appointed by King *George* the first 18<sup>th</sup>. August 1724, which he enjoyed several years with high Fame and Reputation, and was appointed Dean of *Christ Church* in March 1736, in the room of *Bishop Tanner*, when he resign'd the Professorship. Collated by *Bishop Trevor* to this Hospital 15<sup>th</sup>. Sept. 1759. His Benevolence was diffusive and general while Master of this Hospital; he did not confine the poor Old Men as heretofore to the literal Allowance, which good as it might have been when antiently settled on them by their Founder, was now become a sad and scanty Pittance, but as far as it was in his power, made them enjoy the fence and spirit of the Benefaction: He demolished all the little wretched Hutts in which they were huddled together before, and erected a handsome commodious Stone Edifice, making it to consist of twenty different Apartments, that each of the Old Men might have one entirely to himself; and also constructed a large Room  
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in the Centre of the Building for their common Reception, and comfortably provided it with every necessary accomodation: But it must be remembred, that all this was not at his own cost or charge, for he cut down and sold a large Wood at *Ebchester* belonging the Hospital, more than adequate to the expence, and thereby put something into his own Pocket. He died 16th. September 1767.

### Mark Hildesley.

*Mark Hildesley* Doctor in Divinity, was of Trinity College Cambridge, and many years Vicar of *Hitchin* in *Hertfordshire*, Rector of *Holwell* in *Bedfordshire*, and Prebend of *Marston St. Laurence* in the Church of *Lincoln*, the former he resigned on his Promotion to the Bishoprick of *Soder and Man*, to which he was appointed 1755 by *John Duke of Athol* King of *Man*; when a Commendam passed the Great Seal to enable him to hold the Rectory of *Holwell* and the Prebend of *Marston St. Laurence* with the Bishoprick. Collated to this Hospital by *Bishop Trevor* 21st. Sept. 1767. Died of a Paralytical Disorder at *Bishops Court* in the *Isle of Man* 7th. Dec. 1772, in the 74th. year of his Age.

### Thomas Dampier.

*Thomas Dampier* a Native of *Somersetshire*, was educated at *Eton School*, elected Scholar of *Corpus Christi College Oxford* 1732, but his place falling at *Kings College Cambridge*, left *Oxford*. Was sometime one of the Ushers at *Eton School*, and afterwards Under Master, having taken his Doctor in Divinity Degree at *Cambridge*. Prebendary of *Canterbury*; which he exchanged for a Canonry at *Windfor*; he was also Fellow of *Eton College* which he resign'd. Install'd in the second Prebend of *Durham Cathedral* 20th. April 1771, and resign'd it (by exchange) in March 1773, being then collated to this Hospital by *Dr. Egerton* the present Lord Bishop of *Durham*, wherein he was inducted by Proxy the 10th. of the same Month.



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### ORDINATIO *sive* FUNDATIO *Domus de* SHIRBURNE.

**U**NIVERSIS *sanctæ Matris Ecclesiæ Filiis*, Nos THOMAS *Permissione Divina Dunelmensis Episcopus*, tenore præsentium intimamus, quod inspecto Registro tempore bonæ memoriæ ANTONII Dunelmensis Episcopi Prædecessoris nostri penes nos remanente, Ordinationem Vicariæ de Kellowæ nostræ Dunelmensis Dioceseos tenorem qui sequitur continentem comperimus in eodem.

HUGO Dei gratia Dunelmensis Episcopus dilectis Filiis GERMANO Priori Dunelmensi, BURCHARDO et WILLIELMO Archidiaconis, et omnibus Clericis et Laicis totius Episcopatus sui, et omnibus ad quos Literæ præsentis pervenerint salutem et Dei benedictionem.

NON est humanæ possibilitatis dignam Dei largitionis et munificentiae profusceptis beneficiis vicem rependere, nisi virtus Altissimi gratis donet, ut quod donat sibi redonari permittat, nec sic valet humana servitus sui Creatoris gratiam promereri, quia pro susceptis a suo largitore beneficiis dignas ipsi gratiarum referat actiones, et eorum quæ sibi sunt largiente divina bonitate collata partem quam capiti principatus nequit impendere membris ejus studeat impertiri; Hinc est, quod divina commiseratione commoiti, Domum Hospitalem Leprosorum faciendam mente concepimus, et de loco partim quo fieri debet edocti, Domum ipsam in honore Salvatoris et beatæ Mariæ semper Virginis, et Sancti Lazari Sororumque ipsius Mariæ et Marthæ, cum quibusdam eidem Hospitali beneficiis ad sustentationem assignatis, juxta Pontem de SHIRBURNE prope Dunelmum ædificamus.

QUAM principaliter pro pace Regni, et salute corporis et animæ Domini nostri Henrici illustrissimi Angliæ Regis, et Ducis Normanniæ, Aquitaniæ, Comitum Andegavensis, et omnium Prædecessorum et Hæredum suorum; et pro nostra propria salute, qua præ cunctis indigere videbamur; et pro illorum  
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requie sempiterna qui Nos in honorem Episcopatus sublimaverunt; et pro ipsorum salute perpetua qui de facultatibus suis Elemosynas eidem Hospitali largiti fuerunt, vel imposterum largientur, aut largitas custodient et tuebuntur; et pro omnium fidelium tam vivorum quam mortuorum salute construere procuravimus: quatenus ibi de beneficiis et possessionibus eidem Hospitali caritative collatis, ipsorum fames, sitis, et nuditas Leproforum, aliq; defectus et miseriæ quibus incessanter affliguntur, procurantium obsequiis ad hoc affligentis, ad nostram et omnium Christi fidelium pacem perpetuam et Salutem, releventur.

STATUIMUS igitur, ut in Ecclesia ibidem in honorem prædictorum Sanctorum consecrata, et in Capella interius infra Domum Infirmorum in honorem Sancti *Nicholai* constructa, divina semper a *tribus Presbyteris* et *quatuor Clericis* ad serviendum ibidem statutis pro temporali pace prædictorum et requie sempiterna celebrentur.

SED et quinque Conventus Leproforum, ( hoc est ) *Sexaginta quinque* numero *semper ad minus*, ibi Victu pariter et Vestitu procurentur, et eorum Procurator, qui eos et eorum Possessiones custodierit, ab Episcopo, Sacerdos potius quam alterius Ordinis ( si bonus et fidelis inventus fuerit ) præficiatur; et in Episcopi potestate consistat, Procuratorem, si minus idoneum invenerit, amovere, et alium quem magis crediderit convenientem instituere, et cum plenius cuncta suæ potestati submissa cognoverit, tanto diligentius cuncta tueatur eorum usibus omnimodo profutura, pro quorum sustentatione data sunt, et observare, quatenus de impensa in observandis eorum Possessionibus et augendis sollicitudine se confidat et credat a Domino percepturum gaudium felicitatis æternæ et de negligentia si affuerit; vel commodo temporali sibi non eis quæsito, quod Deus avertat, pœnas non tantum temporales sed æternas se timeat suscepturum a summo Iudice iuste judicante.

PROCURATORIS

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PROCURATORIS vero providentia pariter et discretione cuncta quæ interius agenda fuerint, et exterius tam de Infirmorum receptione, quam de sanis Fratribus et maturis Sororibus ad serviendum recipiendis, et de Possessionibus augendis et regendis ordinentur.

AD eorum itaque Sustentationem (consilio et assensu Prioris et Capituli nostri, nec non Archidiaconorum et omnium Clericorum nostrorum) eidem Hospitali Dedimus et Concessimus et præsentī Carta confirmamus de Dominico nostro *Villam* ipsam de SHIRBURNE, cum *Molendino* et Pasturis et aliis rebus per rectas divisas ad ipsas pertinentibus, de quibus cum primum ad Episcopatum venimus annuatim Episcopo *sexaginta* tantum *Solidi* reddi solebant.

ET super *Darwentam fluvium*, qui Forestam nostram dividit a vicinis, EBCHESTER, locum (*viz.*) Anachoritarum, ad animalia Fratrum infirmorum usibus ibi nutrienda, et ad eorum Pastores ibidem procurandos, licentiam dedimus de Sartis proficiendis unam Carucatam terræ arabilis, quæ octies viginti acras tantum in se contineat.

ET duas bovatas terræ in WYTTON, quæ antiquitus pro servitio Capellæ ejusdem Villæ datæ fuerunt. Et septem alias bovatas in eadem Villa, quas de *Galfrido* filio *Ricardi* et *Auberico*, sicut cartæ venditorum testantur, emimus.

ET Villam de GARMUNDSWAY cum omnibus ad eam pertinentibus, quas sumptibus propriis acquisivimus, reddendo inde pro tertia parte singulis annis imperpetuum *Radulpho* filio *Paulini* de *Eboraco* et hæredibus ejus *quatuor* marcas pro omni servitio, duas (*viz.*) ad Pentecostam, et duas ad Festum Sancti Martini, sicut ejusdem *Radulphi* Carta testatur.

CONFIRMAMUS eis etiam unam Carucatam terræ juxta *Garmundsway*, cum omnibus ad eam pertinentibus, quæ *RACEBY* vocatur, quam de Barone primo ejusdem terræ cultore et habitatore jamdudum emerimus et eis donavimus, sicut in Carta ejusdem Baronis quam inde habent continetur, reddendo  
inde



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inde singulis annis Domine Majoris *Kellow* quindecim solidos pro omni servitio.

ET præterea unam Carucatam in SHOREVETON, cum Pastura ad mille Oves, et cum omnibus aliis rebus ad eam pertinentibus, quam *Thomas filius Stephani filii Burnolfi* prædictis Leprosis pro amore Dei et intuitu nostræ dilectionis in puram et perpetuam Elemosinam dedit et concessit et Carta sua confirmavit, sicut *Monachi Rievallenses* eam melius unquam et plenius habuerunt et tenuerunt, quam *Stephanus* Pater ipsius *Thomæ* et *Thomas* eis prius per viginti quatuor annos tenendam concesserant, pro qua tribus annis ante prædictum terminum elapsis dimittenda, cum *Ædificiis* eorum ad opus Infirmorum retentis, prædictis Monachis quinquaginta marcas argenti donavimus: Et præterea unam bovata[m] terræ in eadem Villa juxta prædictam terram eorum confirmamus, quam *Robertus* prædicti *Thomæ* Patruus eis in puram et perpetuam Elemosinam dedit et Carta sua confirmavit.

ET insuper eis donavimus *Ecclesiam de KELLOW* juxta ejus Parochiam consistentem, et *Ecclesiam de Grendon* quam novam et recenter in honorem beati *Thomæ Martyris* construximus; Sed etiam *Ecclesias de SOCKBURN* et *BISHOPTON*, quas dilectus Filius noster *Rogerus de Coyners* assensu *Roberti filii* et hæredis sui eidem Hospitali dedit et concessit, et Carta sua confirmavit. Nos eas Ecclesias eidem Hospitali confirmamus; ita duntaxat quod Procurator Infirmorum singulis prædictis Ecclesiis, vel aliis eisdem Infirmis imposterum conferendis, ad consilium Episcopi perpetuos et idoneos assignet Vicarios, qui cuncta ad Ecclesias pertinentia, exceptis tribus Decimis tantum Bladi viz. Agnorum et Lanæ, suis usibus habeant et retineant, pro quibus Ecclesiis honeste deserviant et omnia onera ad Episcopum et Officiale[m] ejus pertinentia sustineant; salva Leprosis terra *Capella de Wytton* jamdudum assignata, cum alia quam eis in eadem Villa, sicut prædictum est, adquisivimus: Pauperes autem prædictas tres decimas tantum de singulis Ecclesiis ad victum suum habeant.

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habeant de quibus nulli omnino homini in aliquo temporali servitio respondeant. Siquis vero quicquam eorum quæ prædicti Fratres in præsentī possident, vel in futurum Deo juvante poterint adipisci, subtrahere, imminuere, vel auferre, sciens attemptaverit; iram et indignationem Dei omnipotentis, omnium Sanctorum et sacro Sanctæ Matris Ecclesiæ se noverit animadversionem incursum. Omnibus autem eisdem Fratribus beneficia conferentibus vel collata conservantibus, sit pax, vita, salus, et æternæ felicitatis gaudia largiatur omnium bonorum largitor Dominus.

Hiis Testibus, \*GERMANO Priore Dunelmensi, †BURCHARDO et WILLELMO Archidiaconis, SYMONE Camerario, Magistro †RICARDO de Coldingham, Magistro WILLELMO de Blefensi, Magistro STEPHANO Lincoln, WILLELMO filio Archidiaconi, WILLELMO de Hoveden, et pluribus aliis.

*IN quarum Inspectionis et Comparisonis Testimonium has nostras Literas fecimus Patentes Sigilli nostri impressione communitas. Datum in Manerio de Aucland ix. Kal. Julii An. Dom. 1349.*

§ This Inspeimus taken in the time of Bishop Hatfield.

\* GERMANO was elected Prior of Durham in 1162, and died in 1186, after which the Priorship was vacant till the Year 1188. Ang. Sac. Vol. 1. p. 787.

† BURCHARD Archdeacon of Durham died 6. Dec. 1196. WILLIAM succeeded JOHN as Archdeacon about 1180 or 1182. Le Neve's Fasti and Willis Cath.

‡ RICHARD de COLDINGHAM was Vicar of Elvete in Durham and died in 1200. Anglia Sacra Vol. 1. p. 727.

|| In honorem beati THOMÆ Martyris, — Thomas de Becket was murder'd 29th. December 1171 and canoniz'd in 1174.

*From the above Circumstances we may fix the date of the Foundation Charter of Sherburn-house about the Year 1181 or 1182.*



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COMPOSITION *between Philip Baillon Parson of Middleham, and Arnald de Auclent Master of Sherburn-house, for Tythes at Garmundfway, in the time of \* Philip de Poictiers Bishop of Durham. 1204.*

**P**HILIPPUS Dei gratia *Dunelm.* Episcopus, Omnibus Christi fidelibus ad quos Literæ nostræ pervenerint salutem in Domino. Ad universitatis viæ notitiam volumus pervenire, quod cum inter *Philippum Ballo* Decanum *Pictavensem*, Personam Ecclesiæ de *Midelham*, et *Arnaldum de Auclent* Rectorem *Domus Leproforum de Syreburne* et ipsos Leprosos, super *Decimis Bladi Villæ de Garmundesweie*, quas idem *Philippus* ad Ecclesiam suam de *Midelham* pertinere dicebat; Quæstio verteretur tandem in presentia nostra, Nobis consentientibus et assensum præbentibus amicabiliter inter eos Compositio intercessit hoc modo, videlicet, quod prædict. *Arnald.* pro se et dictis Leprosis ipsis volentibus, mandantibus, et assensum præbentibus, in plena Synodo nostra *Dunelmi* coram nobis omnibus qui aderant audientibus recognovit dictas Decimas dict. Villæ de *Garmundesweie*, ad Ecclesiam de *Midleham* de Jure spectare, et eas in manus nostras resignavit, et pro se et dictis Leprosis Juri quod se in illis Decimis dicebant habere, penitus renunciavit, et nos dictum *Philippum* de Decimis illis investivimus, dict. vero *Phil.* Decimas ipsas prænominato *Arnald.* ibidem tradidit hoc modo ad firmam, a Synodo proxima post Pascha An. Dom. 1204, in quinque annos habendam; reddendo annuatim sæpe dicto Decano vel certo Nuncio suo pro dict. Decimis LX. Solidos usque ad terminum nominatum: Evoluto autem quinquennio Ecclesia de *Midleham* prædict. Decimas cum omni integritate et sine aliqua reclamatione rehabebit; ut igitur quod in præsentia nostra (factum est) firmam et debitam obtineat firmitatem præsent. Cart. Sigilli mei munimine fecimus roborari &c.

\* Philip de Poictiers was consecrated Bishop of Durham 12th. May 1197 and died 22d. April 1207.

## GRANT of LANDS at WYTTON.

GRANT of Lands at Wytton-le-Wear from William de Hamsterley  
to \*Martin de Sancta Cruce Master of Sherburn-house.

OMNIBUS hoc Scriptum visuris vel audituris, *Willielmus de Hamsterley* salutem. Sciatis me concessisse, dedisse, et presenti Carta mea confirmasse, *Domino Martino de Sancta Cruce* Rectori *Domus de Scyreburn*, et Fratribus ejusdem loci, Unam particulam terræ jacentem juxta Capitale Messuagium suum in WYTTUN versus Occidentem, inter terram *Hugonis de Cliveland*, et *Johannis filii Libye*, continentem quadraginta et octo pedes in longitudine, et decem et octo pedes in latitudine: Habendam et tenendam sibi et successoribus suis libere et quiete, pacifice et integre imperpetuum, pro quadam summa pecuniæ quam michi in mea necessitate dederunt: Quare Ego *Willielmus* et hæredes mei, dictam particulam terræ dictis Rectori et Fratribus de *Scyreburn*, contra omnes homines imperpetuum warrantizabimus. Et ut hæc mea Donatio perpetuam optineat firmitatem, præsentis scripto Sigillum meum apposui. Hiis Testibus *Hugon. de Capella*, *Ada de Fultorp*, *Galsfridus de Torp*, † *Galsfridus de Parco*, *Johannes de Fultorp*, *Willielmo fratre Galsfrid. de Torp*, *Johan. de Layington*, *Roberto fil. Ade de Wyttun*, *Hugon. de Cliveland*, et aliis.

\* Martin de Sancta Cruce was appointed Master of Sherburn-house in 1245, and succeeded in 1280 by Roger de Seyton who was one of the Kings Justices Itinerant.

† Galsfrid. de Parco. Lord of Blakeston Manor was living at Blakeston in 1264.



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RELEASE of an Annual Rent of Five Shillings a Year, from Alexander de Kellawe to the Master and Bretheren of Sherburn-house for RACEBY near Garmundsway.

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus præsens Scriptum visuris vel audituris Alexander de Kellawe salutem. Noverit universitas vestra me dedisse, concessisse, quietum clamasse, et præsentī Carta mea confirmasse Domino Martino de Sancta Cruce Rectori Domus de Sireburne et Fratribus ejusdem Loci, Redditum quinque Solidorum quem singulis annis recipere consueveram de dicto Rectore et Fratribus de Portione mea de terra de RACEBY juxta Garmundesway; Habendum et tenendum sibi et dictis Fratribus libere et quiete, bene et in pace, in puram et perpetuam Elemosynam. Et Ego et Hæredes mei dictum Redditum Rectori et Fratribus dictæ Domus de Sireburne contra omneswarantizabimus in perpetuum. Et ut hæc mea Donatio, Concessio, quieta Clamatio, et Cartæ meæ Confirmatio robur perennitatis optineat, præsentem Cartam Sigilli mei impressione roboravi. Hiis Testibus Dominis Marmeduc filio Galfridi, Thoma de Herington, Willielmo Basset, Thoma filio Thomæ de Kellawe, Willielmo de Wydon de eadem, Willielmo filio Simonis de Wyndegat, Petro de Trillestone, Galfrido Clerico de Kockeshow, et aliis.

## CONSTITUTIONS.

### CONSTITUTIONES *Domus de SHIREBURNE.*

( E. Registro. 2<sup>do</sup>. antiquo pen. Dec. & Cap. Dunelm. pag. 324. )

**H**Æ sunt Constitutiones Hospitalis Domus Leproforum de SHIREBURNE, ab HUGONE Episcopo dictæ Domus Fundatore constitutæ et Carta sua roboratæ, et processu temporis a RICARDO *Dunelmensi* Episcopo approbatæ et confirmatæ et in multis ampliatae.

INPRIMIS ergo statuit dictus *Hugo* Episcopus, ut in Capella dictæ domus ad serviendum Deo et sanctæ *Mariæ Magdalene* et beato *Nicholao*, sint continue *tres Sacerdotes* et *quatuor Clerici*, duo scilicet ad serviendum Altari sanctæ *Mariæ Magdalene* hebdomadario modo, quorum unus hebdomada sua celebrabit cantando Missam tempori congruentem, et alius hebdomada illa pro fidelibus et vice versa terrenis deputabitur officium sancti *Nicholai* et continue celebrabit pro defunctis, et hæc erit Missa Sororum Leprosarum infra quarum domum a latere australi sita est dicta Capella.

QUARTUM Capellanum apposuit tempore suo dictus *Ricardus Dunelmensis* Episcopus, quem deputavit officio beatæ *Mariæ Virginis* in Capella nova quam in honorem beatæ *Mariæ Virginis* construxit a latere Aquilonari majoris Capellæ ubi quartus Sacerdos cotidie celebrabit missam de beata *Maria Virgine* cum solempnitate, et hæc erit Missa Fratrum Leproforum et cotidie ultimo celebrabitur, tum propter Fratres debiles et mane surgere non valentes, tum propter Sacerdotes qui expletis officiis sibi deputatis, omnes dictæ Missæ intererunt. Diebus vero Dominicis et in majoribus solempnitatibus ultimo celebrabitur magna Missa in majori Capella ubi omnes intererunt tam Clerici quam Sacerdotes, et illis diebus tantum aperientur ostia Leproforum tam Fratrum quam Sororum, ut in domo Fratrum omnes conveniant, et in continuo silentio intrabunt et redibunt, præeunte Fratres Leprosos eorum Priore,

et



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et Priorissa subsequente Sorores Leprosas, et sic missa celebrata domum suam intrabunt Sorores et claudetur earum ostium.

STATUIT etiam dictus *Hugo* ut dictæ domus Procurator semper Sacerdos præficiatur et Religiosus, si bonus inveniatur, vel Secularis si melior inveniat, qui dictis Sacerdotibus et dictis Officiariis in omnibus necessariis providebit, et missam, quam voluerit, et ubi, celebrabit, qui in Rectura ita modeste se habeat, ut numerum trium equorum non excedat nisi aliter cogat necessitas. Istorum etiam Sacerdotum officiis et eorum sustentamentis deputati sunt tres Clerici vel quatuor, nisi Procurator fuerit Sacerdos, qui dictis Sacerdotibus in divinis Officiis ministrabunt quorum unus ad minus erit Diaconus.

OMNES vero Sacerdotes et Clerici simul in Camera juxta Capellam sita jacebunt, præter unum quem Procurator secum in Camera sua habere voluerit, et omnes cum Procuratore in Aula prandebunt et cœnabunt, nisi aliter cogat necessitas.

DECREVIT etiam idem *Ricardus* ut in tempore hyemali surgant dicti Sacerdotes in media nocte ad Officium nocturnum perficiendum, quo completo, usque mane dormiant, et tunc iterum in silentio ad Ecclesiam redeant et Officia divina tempori congruentia, signo prius in qualibet hora pulsato, cantando compleant: Estivo autem tempore ita surgant, ut Officium nocturnum compleatur in diluculo, et sic in loco pausent et post modo prescripto ad divina Officia redeant.

IDEM etiam statuit, ut continue in majori Ecclesia in presentia Corporis et Sanguinis Domini sit Ignis perpetuus; et quod semper in majori missa in majori Capella celebretur, et in missa beatæ Mariæ Virginis, accendantur duo Luminaria ad minus.

DECREVIT etiam idem Episcopus ut secundum Statuta *Hugonis* quondam *Dunelmensis Episcopi* Predecessoris sui quinque Conventus Leproforum, sive

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*Sexaginta et quinque*, continue ibi vivant, et de bonis dictæ Domus pascantur et vestiantur; et quod quilibet Frater vel Soror habeat unum panem in die quinque marcas ponderantem, et unam galonam Cerevisiæ, ita quod quilibet eorum habeat unam galonam in diem. Et quod iidem tribus diebus in hebdomada vescantur Carnibus, et quatuor diebus Piscibus; ita quod unum ferculum, sive de Carne, sive de Pisce, sive de Caseo, sive de Butiro, duobus bene sufficiat: Providit etiam ut in majoribus sollempnitatibus per annum habeant duo fercula, (videlicet) in quatuor primis diebus Natalis Domini, in die Circumcisionis, in die Epiphaniæ, in die Purificationis, in die Sancti Cuthberti, in Quadragesima (et in illo die solent dare Salmones recentes pro uno ferculo si inveniri possent, sin autem, Pisces recentes, si inveniri possent) in die Anunciationis, in primis duobus diebus Paschæ, in die Ascensionis Domini, in die Pentecostes, in die Trinitatis, in Inventione et Exaltatione Sanctæ Crucis, in die Nativitatis Sancti Johannis Baptistæ, in die S. Apostolorum Petri et Pauli, in festo Sanctæ Mariæ Magdalænæ, in festo Sancti Laurentii, in diebus Assumptionis et Nativitatis Sanctæ Mariæ Virginis, in die Sancti Cuthberti in Septembri, in die Sancti Michaelis (sed illo die dantur Aucæ pro ferculo, et quatuor habent unam Aucam pro ferculo; quod si die Veneris vel die Sabbati contigerit, dantur die Dominico proxime sequenti) in die Omnium Sanctorum, in die Anniversario Ecclesiæ, in die Sancti Andreæ Apostoli, in die Sancti Lazari.

DE Vestimentis etiam providetur, quod quilibet eorum habeat per annum tres ulnas de panno laneo, videlicet de ruffeto vel albo, et sex ulnas de panno lineo, et sex ulnas de Canvays, in communi ad manutergia facienda; et unusquisque quatuor Denarios ad sotulares, et sexies per annum Unguentum ad sotulares, et tres petras Cepi per annum. In Vigilia Omnium Sanctorum habebunt quatuor trussas Straminis, et quatuor in Vigilia Nativitatis Domini, et quatuor truncos ad quatuor ignes; in vigilia autem Pasche quatuor trussas  
Straminis



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Straminis; in Vigilia Pentecostes quatuor fascēs Juncorum, et quatuor in Vigilia beati Johannis Baptistæ, et quatuor in festo beatæ Mariæ Magdalænæ.

QUANDO habebunt Carnes recentes vel Pisces recentes, vel Ova, habebunt unam mensuram Salis continentem viceſsimam partem unius Rasarii.

IN Carniprivio habebunt unum Rasarium Frumenti ad faciendum Simulam.

CUM unus obierit, quod de domo percepit, domui relinquat, et alius pro eo gratis recipiatur de terra Episcopi, si ibi tot inveniantur Leprosi; sin autem, aliunde recipiantur, cum Deus non sit Acceptor Personarum.

FRATRES de communi consensu Priorem eligant sibi de se, et Sorores Priorissam, qui sub Magistro eorum eos regulariter custodiant.

REGULA LEPROSORUM talis est: Fratres Leprosi per se maneant, similiter Sorores Leprosæ per se, ubi quatuor habeant Ignes ad quos quotidie a die Sancti Michaelis, usque in diem Omnium Sacro Sanctorum habebunt duas Sportas Petarum, prout predicatur, illis diebus quibus habent fercula duplicia; et a die Omnium Sacro Sanctorum usque ad diem Pasche, habebunt quatuor Sportas quolibet die; et duas Sportas Petarum preter prædictas illis diebus quibus habent fercula duplicia. Sporta vero Petarum debet continere quinque Rasaria Frumenti et duas Kenones. In Vigilia vero Nativitatis Domini habebunt quatuor magnos Truncos ad quatuor Ignes, et unusquisq; erit unius quadrigatæ; item in Estate quum ducuntur Petæ habebunt fracturas reliquarum Petarum.

SI autem aliquis Frater Leprosus vel Soror languerit, ita quod de eo desperatur, habebit Ignem et Candelam et omnia necessaria quantum oportuerit donec melioretur vel moriatur. Item die quo aliquis sepelietur, Potus et Cibus detur sepelientibus; similiter eorum Scissor die quo scindit Pannos suos, habebit Cibus et Potum: Habebunt etiam quolibet die Dominico decem Panes albos, scilicet, quinque Fratribus et quinque Sororibus, qui dispositione Prioris

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Prioris et Priorissæ debent dari magis languentibus. Sciendum etiam quod habebunt in qualibet hebdomada per annum bis vel semel ad minus Pisces recentes si inveniri poterint, sed aliquando per defectum Piscium dentur Allecia rubea, aliquando Caseus, aliquando Butirum, secundum tempora, et quum dantur Allecia, unicuique dentur tria, quum vero Butirum vel Caseus tunc detur omnibus in commune pondus unius petrae et dimidium. A Pascha vero usque ad Pentecosten per defectum Piscium, Casei et Butiri, dentur aliquando Ova, unicuique tria: A Pentecoste usque ad festum Sancti Michaelis non dantur Allecia rubea; sed bene cavendum est quod nec putridum, nec corruptum vel morticinum illis erogetur. Item in Quadragesima habebunt duo Rafaria Fabarum ad assandum; in festo Sancti Michaelis duo rafaria Pomorum: Item debent habere Coquinam et Coquum ad eorum Cibum faciendum, et focale ad coquinam sufficiens et utensilia convenientia, scilicet, unum Plumbum et duas Ollas æreas, unam Tabulam, unam Tinam, unum Alveolum, duas Cunas ad Cerevisiam eorum suscipiendum, duas Cunas ad balneandum: Item habebunt hæc Utensilia in domo, quatuor Plumbos, quatuor Patellas, quatuor Tripotes, duos Alveos, unum Beseche, et unum Tribulum ad sepeliendum mortuos: Item facient aliquando Olera, aliquando Porretum, aliquando Fabas secundum tempora, et quando facient Olera, habebunt quotidie præter Sabbatum, unam mensuram grossæ farinae Avenarum, continentem septimam partem unius Rafarii; sed omni die Sabbati habebunt illam mensuram et dimidium Pultium ad faciendum Gruelam: Habebunt etiam Pultes in Vigilia omnium Sacro Sanctorum, Nativitatis Domini, Ascensionis, Johannis Baptistæ, Assumptionis, die Cinerum: Item habebunt diebus Piscium ad eorum Coquinam, unam mensuram Salis continentem sexagesimam tertiam partem unius Rafarii ad Potagium faciendum: Item Vetula quæ ministrat Infirmis, habebit qualibet hebdomada tres panes Frumenti, et unum ferculum Carnium vel Piscium secundum tempora.

Item



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ITEM habebunt duas LOTRICES quæ lavabunt pro omnibus aliis operibus qualibet die Sabbati eorum Capita, et bis in septimana eorum Pannum, et cotidie eorum Utenilia.

ITEM habebunt unum Capellanum de prædictis quatuor Capellanis assignatum ad Divina facienda, Confessiones audiendas, et ea quæ sacris pertinent ad plenum persequenda, et ad Evangelium legendum in domibus Leproforum diebus divinis et aliis festis majoribus languentibus qui non possunt ire ad Ecclesiam, similiter et ad Exequias mortuorum faciendas.

ITEM habebunt in festis solempnibus in eorum Capella Luminarium competens dum celebrant divina, et similiter Thus horis debitis: Dominicis vero diebus asperionem aquæ benedictæ, panem benedictum, et alia quæ decet.

ITEM conceditur quod communes fervientes eorum et speciales possint ire et redire sine impedimento, et vendere non placentia, et emere placentia, et alia negotia expedire.

ITEM conceditur illis quod Amici eorum et benevolentes possint sine impedimento eos visitare et confortare, et cum eis moram per noctem facere, scilicet longe venientes et Advenæ; noti vero et propinqui die quo veniunt recedant.

ITEM omnes Domus eorum bene cooperiantur et nullum nocumentum patiantur, similiter ductus aquæ eorum ita conservetur, ut nullum defectum aquæ patiantur, licebit etiam eis sine impedimento ire et redire ad foveam juxta Cimiterium ubi colligunt aquam ad purgandas eorum Domus.

ITEM Portæ eorum non debent claudi ante pulsationem Collationis.

ITEM habebunt Feretrum ad mortuos ferendos: Omnes autem Fratres et Sorores qui fortes sunt, de nocte surgant ad Matutinam, et intrent in Capellam suam et horas suas more suo dicant, videlicet, pro matutinis xxvi. Pater noster

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noster, scilicet, tresdecim pro matutina diei, et tresdecim pro matutina beatæ Mariæ; pro prima, quatuordecim simili modo; pro tertia quatuordecim, pro sexta quatuordecim; pro nona, quatuordecim; pro vesperis, octodecim; pro completorio, quatuordecim; ita ut medietatem dicant pro horis diei, et medietatem pro horis beatæ Mariæ.

POSTEA quilibet eorum dicat viginti et quinque Pater noster pro peccatis propriis, et totidem pro animabus Episcoporum *Dunelmensium*, et omnium fidelium defunctorum, ita ut tam de die quam de nocte centum et sexaginta Pater noster compleant.

ILLI autem qui debiles sunt in Lectis se erigant, et ibi matutinas suas dicant; debiliores in pace jaceant, et quod dicere possunt dicant: Qualibet hora pulsatur signum eorum tam de die quam de nocte, et ante Prandium et post, quod pulsabit unus de sanioribus Fratribus huic officio deputatus, qui preces eorum dicet; post completorium maneant in silentio, donec in crastino prima pulsatur et dicatur, nisi aliter cogat necessitas, ut infirmitas vel aliquod humanitus.

AD eorum observantium detur eis Ferula, cujus custodiam habebit Prior ut modo Scholarium inde corrigat inobedientes, et Statuta transgredientes, et excitet desides et negligentes.

SI quis autem inveniatur inobediens et contrarius et per ferulam noluerit corrigi, detrahantur ei Victualia usque Panem et Aquam tantum, semel, secundo, tertio, et si adhuc perseveraverit inobediens et contumax, a communionem Fratrum ejiciatur, et alius pro eo statim substituatur.

CUM aliquis Frater vel Soror obierit, quilibet eorum dicet pro eo infra triginta dies proxime sequentes ccc. Pater noster, exceptis Orationibus quotidianis.

OMNES



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OMNES Fratres veniant in \*Capella sua ad disciplinam tribus diebus in hebdomada, scilicet, in Quadragesima et adventu Domini; scilicet secunda, quarta, et sexta feria, nisi aliter cogat necessitas, vel intervenerit magna solemnitas.

IDEM faciant Sorores in \*Capella sua præsente Priorissa cum Sacerdote donec omnes vapulent.

PROCURATOR autem dictæ Domus audiet quater in anno Computationes suas, scilicet in quatuor quarteriis anni de Servientibus suis.

HABEBUNT etiam prædicti Fratres et Sorores annuatim *quinque Solidos et quinque Denarios* in die Exaltationis Sanctæ Crucis, die anniversario Dom. Martini de Sancta Cruce quondam prædictæ Domus Procuratoris.

HÆC omnia statuit †RICARDUS Dei Gratia Dunelmensis Episcopus et Carta sua confirmavit, et inviolabiliter observari præcepit.

\* *There were two Chappels, one for the Men, and the other for the Women.*

† *Supposed to be Richard de Kellaw who was elected Bishop of Durham the 31. March 1311 and died 19. October 1316.*

*William de Insula was Master of this Hospital in 1302, and continued 'till 1317, when he was succeeded by Lambert de Torkyngham.*

RELEASE of Common of Pasture in SMALLMOR.

RELEASE of Common of Pasture in Smallmor from Agnes the Wife of Robert de Rummeseye to the Master and Brethren of Sherburn Hospital.

OMNIBUS hoc scriptum visuris vel audituris, *Agnes* quæ fuit Uxor *Roberti de Rummeseye* salutem in Domino; Noverit universitas vestra me in libera potestate et ligia Viduitate mea remisisse et omnino quietum clamasse pro me hæredibus vel assignatis meis Magistro \* *Rogero de Seyton* Custodi Hospitalis de *Schyreburn* et Fratribus et Sororibus ibidem Deo fervientibus totum jus et clameum quod habui vel aliquo modo habere potui in Communia Pasturæ quæ vocatur *Smalmor*, ita quod nec ego nec hæredes vel assignati mei de cetero aliquid juris vel clamii in prædicta Communia Pasturæ aliquo modo exigere poterimus aut etiam aliquam Communam Pasturæ in prædicta Pastura de *Smalmor* aliquo modo vel aliquo jure ad me hæredes vel assignatos meos quocunque modo pertinente clamare de cetero poterimus.

In cujus rei Testimonium præsentī Scripto Sigillum meum apposui, hiis Testibus Domino † *Galfrido Russell* tunc Seneschallo Dunelmensi, Domino *Rogero Bernard* tunc Constabulario Dunelmensi, *Alexandro de Bydyk* Vicecomite Dunelmensi, *Rogero de Eplingden*, *Waltero de Ludeworth*, *Thoma de Whiteworth*, *Roberto de Bruninghill* et aliis,

\* *Roger de Seyton* was Prebend of Warthill in the Church at York 1279, Master of Sherburn Hospital in 1280, and succeeded probably by Robert de Insula before 1302.

† *Geoffrey Russell* was Steward in 1260.



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## OBLIGATIO Abbatis de \*Alba-landa Custodi Domus de Schirburn pro Decimis Garbarum de Newbiging et Staynton. 1317.

**P**ATEAT Universis per presentes quod Ego Willielmus Abbas de Alba-landa teneor et efficaciter obligor fide media Domino Lamberto de Torkyngbam Custodi Domus de Schirburn et Fratribus ejusdem loci in xxiiij libris bonorum et legalium Sterlingorum pro Decimis Garbarum de Newbiging et Staynton de fructu anni gratiæ 1317 mihi per prædictos venditis solvendo eisdem Domino Lamberto et Fratribus ad duos terminos scilicet xij libras in festo Pentecostes anno Domini 1318, et xij libras in festo beati Michaelis proximo sequenti sine ulteriori dilatione: Et ad maiorem hujus rei securitatem subscriptos dictæ pecuniæ inveni Manucaptos videlicet Dominum Thomam Vicarium de Biscopton, Willielmum Alsiluir, et Nicholaum filium Johannis de Werdale, qui se et eorum quemlibet in solutione dictæ pecuniæ principales constituunt debitores sub hac forma: Nos Dominus Thomas Vicarius de Biscopton, Willielmus Alsiluir, et Nicholaus filius Johannis de Werdale, Obligamus nos hæredes nostros et Executores Domino Lamberto de Torkyngbam Custodi Domus de Schirburn et Fratribus ejusdem loci in xxiiij libris bonorum et legalium Sterlingorum pro Decima Garbarum de Newbiging et de Staynton de fructu anni gratiæ 1317 per prædictos vendita et prædictam pecuniam constituimus soluturos terminis etiam supradictis; Nos etiam et quemlibet nostrum in hac parte constituimus principales debitores et pacatores; renunciamus insuper regiæ prohibitioni exceptioni doli rei venditæ et non traditæ beneficio diminutionis cujuscunque et omni alii juris remedio cavillationi seu defensionis per quæ dictæ pecuniæ solutio impediri poterit aliquo modo seu differri. In cujus rei testimonium nos frater Willielmus, Thomas, Willielmus, et Nicholaus supradicti huic scripto Sigilla nostra apposuimus. Dato apud Schirburn die Dominica proxima post festum Assumptionis sanctæ Mariæ anno Domini 1317.

\* Alba-landa or Blancalanda an Abbey of the Premonastratensian Order in Northumberland & built by Walter de Bolebec in 1165; it was granted to John Bellow and John Broxholm 37 Hen. 8. Valued at 44. 9. 1.

## GRANT of TANNHILLS:

GRANT of Lands in South Sherburn (now called Tann-hills)  
from John Harpyn to the Master and Brethren of Sherburn  
Hospital. 1331.

**O**MNIBUS hanc Cartam visuris vel audituris, *Johannes Harpyn* Dominus de *Thornlaw* filius et hæres Domini *Richardi Harpyn* Militis salutem in Domino, Noveritis me concessisse dedisse et hoc presenti scripto meo confirmasse Deo et beatæ Mariæ Magdalænæ \*Magistro Fratribus et Sororibus Domus Leproforum de *Sherburne* omnia Terras et Tenementa mea cum Pratis et omnimodis suis pertinentiis quæ habui in Villa et Territorio de *South Sherburne*; Habenda et tenenda dicta Terras et Tenementa cum Pratis et omnimodis suis pertinentiis dictis Magistro Fratribus et Sororibus et eorum successoribus in puram et perpetuam elemosinam imperpetuum cum omnimodis easiamentis et libertatibus ad prædicta Terras et Tenementa cum Pratis qualitercunque pertinentibus: Et Ego vero dictus *Johannes Harpyn* et hæredes mei omnia prædicta Terras et Tenementa cum suis pertinentiis dictis Magistro Fratribus et Sororibus et eorum successoribus contra omnes gentes warrantizabimus acquietabimus et defendemus imperpetuum.

In cujus rei testimonium huic præsentī Chartæ Sigillum meum est appensum, hiis Testibus Dominis *Thoma Suerties* tunc Seneschallo Domini Episcopi Dunelm. *Jordano d' Dalden*, *Richardo d' Routhby* Militibus, *Henrico de Langton*, *Symone d' Esche*, *Roberto d' Lampton* et aliis. Dat. apud *Sherburne* die Dominica in Vigillia Sancti Hillarii anno Domini *Millesimo tricesimo trigesimo primo*.

\* Thomas de Hessewell Master.



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GRANT of Free-Warren in Sherburn, Whitwell, Garmondsway, and Ebchester, (by John Fordham Bishop of Durham) to the Master and Bretheren of Sherburn Hospital. 8th. May 1384.

**J**OHANNES, Omnibus ad quos præsentes literæ pervenerint, salutem. Sciatis nos de gratia nostra speciali concessisse et hac carta nostra confirmasse Domino \* Johanni de Waltham Magistro ac Fratribus et Sororibus Hospitalis de Shirborne juxta Civitatem nostram Dunelm. quod ipsi et successores sui imperpetuum habeant liberam Warenniam in omnibus Dominicis Terris suis de Shirborne, Whitwell, Garmondsway, et Ebchestre, infra libertatem nostram regalem Dunelmensem dum tamen terræ illæ non sunt infra metas Forestæ nostræ, ita quod nullus intret terras illas ad fugandum in eis vel ad aliquid capiendum quod ad Warennam pertineat sine licentia et voluntate ipsorum Magistri Fratrum et Sororum vel successorum suorum sub forisfactura nostra decem librarum sicut prædictum est.

In cujus rei Testimonium has Literas nostras fieri fecimus Patentes, Dat. octavo die Maii anno Pontificatus nostri tertio.

\* John de Waltham was Prebend of South Newbald and South Cave in the Church of York 1368. — Canon of York and Commissioner to treat with the Scots in 1371. — Sub Dean of York and Master of the Rolls 1381. — Master of Sherburn Hospital, again Commissioner to treat with the Scots 1384. — Consecrated Bishop of Salisbury 1388. — Appointed Treasurer of England 1391. — Died & was buried in Westminster Abbey 1395. — Was succeeded in Sherburn Hospital by John de Burgeys.

GRANT of Lands in Ebchester &c.

CARTA de Licentia pro Domino Johanne de Neville Domino de Raby, alias Concessio terrarum in Ebchestre Hospitali de Sherburne.

10. Julii 1384.

**J**OHANNES Dei gratia Omnibus ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint salutem. Licet de communi consilio regni Angliæ statutum sit, quod non liceat religiosis Viris seu aliis ingredi Feodum alicujus, ita quod ad manum mortuam deveniat sine licentia regio et capitalis Domini de quo res illa immediate tenentur, de gratia tamen nostra speciali concessimus et licentiam dedimus pro nobis et successoribus nostris, quantum in nobis est, dilecto in Christo filio nostro Domino *Johanni de Neville* Domino de *Raby*, quod ipse unum Messuagium cum pertinentiis in *Ebchestre* quod de Domino *Johanne de Waltham* Magistro Hospitalis de *Shirborne* juxta Civitatem nostram *Dunelm.* \* tenetur per dicta servicia, et quod valet per annum in omnibus exitibus juxta verum valorem ejusdem ultra servicia prædicta tresdecim solidos et quatuor denarios, sicut per Inquisitionem per dilectum et fidelem nostrum *Robertum de Laton* Escaetorem nostrum in Comitatu *Dunelmensi* de mandato nostro factam, et in Cancellaria *Dunelmensi* retornatam est compertum, dare possit et assignare præfato Magistro ac Fratribus et Sororibus Hospitalis prædicti; Habend. et tenend. sibi et successoribus suis in auxilium sustentationis suæ ac supportationis onerum eidem Hospitali incumbentium imperpetuum, et eisdem Magistro Fratribus et Sororibus quod ipsi Messuagium prædictum cum pertinentiis a præfato Domino *Johanne de Neville* recipere possint et tenere sibi et successoribus suis in auxilium sustentationis suæ et supportationis onerum prædictorum imperpetuum, sicut prædictum est, tenore præsentium similiter licentiam dedimus specialem Statuto prædicto non obstante; Nolentes quod præfatus Dominus *Johannes de Neville*

vel

\* Ut reser defunt multa.



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vel hæredes sui, aut præfati Magister Fratres et Sorores vel successores sui ratione præmissorum per nos vel successores, Justiciarios, Escautores, Vicecomites, aut alios Ballivos seu Ministros nostros quoscunque occasionentur molestentur in aliquo seu graventur, salvis tamen Capitalibus Dominis Feodi illius servitiis inde debitis et consuetis.

In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus Patentes, Data apud Dunelmum *decimo die Julii* anno Pontificatus nostri tertio.

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GRANT of the *Mastership of Sherburn Hospital* to Alan de Newark  
by *Walter Skirlaw Bishop of Durham*. 3d. January 1403.

UNIVERSIS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsentis literæ pervenerint, *Walterus* permissione divina Dunelmensis Episcopus salutem gratiam et benedictionem: Noveritis nos pro nobis et successoribus nostris concessisse dedisse et confirmasse, et per præsentis concedimus damus et confirmamus dilecto nobis in Christo *Alano de Newark* Clerico ad totam vitam suam Custodiam Regimen et Procuracionem Hospitalis nostri de *Sbirburn* juxta Dunelm. per amotionem Domini *Johannis Burgeys* nuper, Custodis ejusdem propter malam et iniquam administrationem suam per nos debite et juste factam vacantem, cum suis juribus et pertinentiis universis: Habenda et tenenda eidem *Alano* ad totam vitam suam Custodiam Regimen et Procuracionem dicti Hospitalis cum suis juribus et pertinentiis antedictis. In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum nostrum præsentibus apposuimus, Data in Manerio nostro de *Aukland*, *tertio die Januarii* anno Domini 1403.

*Bishop Langley's Commission to enquire of Dilapidations.*

COMMISSION to enquire into Dilapidations of Sherburn Hospital by Thomas Langley Bishop of Durham. 4. Sept. 1429.

**T**HOMAS Dei gratia Episcopus Dunelmensis dilectis et fidelibus suis *Jacobo Strangweys, Willielmo Eure Chivaler, Thomæ Holden, Willielmo Chaunceler, Ricardo Bukley Clerico, Christofo Boynnton et Thomæ Langton* salutem. Quia datum est nobis intelligi quod diversa Dilapidationes, Vasta, Estrappamenta, et Destructiones in Domibus, Terris, Tenementis et Redditibus, ac aliis Possessionibus Rebus Bonis et Catallis, ad Hospitale Sancti Salvatoris et beatæ Mariæ semper Virginis, et Sancti Lazari Sororumque ipsius Mariæ et Marthæ, juxta Pontem de *Sireburnia* prope Dunelmum pertinentibus, tempore \* *Johannis Neuton* nuper Magistri, Custodis sive Procuratoris Hospitalis prædicti facta et perpetrata, ac etiam quam plura Corrodia Liberationes et annuæ Pensiones de eisdem Possessionibus annuatim percipienda vendita alienata et concessa existunt, qui cultus divinus inibi pene cessat, elemosinæ et alia pietatis opera ibidem abolim. fieri stabilita et consueta subtrahuntur, ac de dispersione Fratrum et Sororum, necnon Pauperum in eodem Hospitali degentium pro defectu sustentationis debitæ, nisi celerius per nos remedium apponatur, verisimiliter quod absit est timendum.

Nos præmissa si taliter se habeant, nolentes absque reformatione debita amplius tollerare, præsertim cum idem Hospitale de fundatione prædecessorum nostrorum et nostro Patronatu existere dinoscatur, ac volentes indemnitati nostræ ac relevationis Hospitalis prædicti prospicere, ut tenemur, nec non de fidelitate et circumspectione vestris plenius confidentes, assignavimus Vos septem, sex, quinque, &c. quorum alterius vestrum vos præfati *Jacobe et Christofo* unum esse volumus, ad inquirendum &c. per sacrum bonorum et legalium hominum quæ et cujusmodi Dilapidationes, Vasta, Estrappamenta, Exilia

\* *Collat. circa 1410, Ob. 1427.*



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Exilia, Transgressiones, Dampna, Defectus et Destructiones in Domibus, Terris, Tenementis, et Redditibus, et aliis Possessionibus, Rebus, Bonis et Catallis, ad Hospitale prædictum spectantibus, tempore prædicti *Johannis Neuton* facta et perpetrata, ac quæ et cujusmodi Corrodia, Liberationes, et annuæ Pensiones, per ipsum *Johannem Neuton* et Prædecessores suos de Possessionibus prædictis, et quibus personis, et pro quibus summis vendita, alienata, et concessa existunt, et quando qualiter et quomodo, et ad quam summam Dilapidationes, Vasta, Estreppamenta, Exilia, Transgressiones, Dampna, Defectus et Destructiones hujusmodi se extendunt, et quali vel quanta summa reparari emendari et reformari poterunt.

Et ideo Vobis mandamus, quod super præmissis omnibus et singulis ac aliis Articulis et Circumstantiis præmissa omnia et singula concernentibus diligentes faciatis Inquisitiones, et eas distincte et aperte factas, nobis in Cancellariam nostram sub Sigillis vestris et Sigillis eorum per quos factæ fuerint mittatis et hoc Breve. Damus autem Vicecomiti nostro Dunelm. et Sadberg et omnibus aliis partium prædictarum tenore præsentium firmiter in mandatis, quod Vobis in præmissis faciendis et exequendis intendentes sint consulentes et auxiliantes quociens et prout ex parte nostra eis scire feceritis. In cujus rei testimonium &c. Dat. apud Dunelm. *Quarto die Septembris* anno Pontificatus nostri vicesimo quarto.

✠ Nicholas Dyxson (*on the death of John Neuton*) was appointed Master in 1427, and succeeded by John Marhall in 1433.

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*Nova Ordinatio sive Reformatio Hospitalis de Shirburn, per Thomam Langley Episcopum, ex Commissione Eugenii Papæ quarti.*

22. Julii 1434.

**U**NIVERSIS sanctæ matris Ecclesiæ filiis præsentis literas seu præfens publicum Instrumentum visuris vel auditoris, et quos infra scriptum tangit negotium, seu tangere poterit quomodolibet in futurum:

THOMAS permissione divina Dunelmensis Episcopus executor ad infra scripta sub forma subscripta specialiter deputatus salutem in domino sempiternam, Literas sanctissimi in Christo Patris et Domini nostri *Eugenii* divinæ providentia Papæ quarti, ejus vera Bulla plumbea cum cordula canapis more Romanæ Curie bullatas fanas et integras, ac omni vitio et sinistra suspicione carentes nobis directas cum ea, qua decet reverentia, noveritis nos recepisse sub hac forma verborum.

EUGENIUS Episcopus servus servorum Dei Venerabili fratri *Thomæ* Episcopo Dunelmensi salutem et Apostolicam benedictionem, ad ea ex Apostolice sanctitatis officio libenter intendimus, per quæ Hospitalium aliorumque piorum locorum, necnon pauperum et miserabilium personarum statui et indemnitatibus valeat oportune provideri, cum utique sicut exhibita nobis nuper pro parte tua petitio continebat quingentis et ultra digressis annis bonæ memoriæ *Hugo* Episcopus Dunelmensis tuus Prædecessor de bonis suæ dispositioni commissis Hospitale Pauperum de *Sbyrburn* in Episcopatu prope Dunelm. pro certo Capellanorum quorum Procurator sive Magister inibi foret et Clericorum divinis insistentium, et qui reciperentur ac refocillarentur inibi Leproforum *sexaginta et quinque* numero fundari ac construere fecerit, eique dotem assignaverit pro illis ac personarum præmissarum regimine et directione nonnullis per ipsum;

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Ac postea quibusdam aliis per piæ recordationis *Richardum* Episcopum Dunelm. ipsius *Hugonis* Episcopi successorem etiam Prædecessorem tuum auctoritate ordinaria factis Statutis et Ordinationibus quorum plurima propter ipsius Hospitalis bonorum facultatumque diminutiones, et paucum Leproforum qui recipiendi veniunt ibidem numerum, necnon alias causas legitimas observari plene non possunt, sed illa, ut Hospitale ipsum, votis circa Spiritu- alia et Temporalia prosperetur eventibus:

Debiti Moderaminis libramine convenit immutari, et ad felicem Hospi- talis ut et personarum prædictarum successum conferre studiis operosis ex- pofcas;

NOS tuis in hac parte supplicationibus Fraternitati tuæ Statuta et Ordinationes hujusmodi etiam si auctoritate Apostolica confirmata sint, prout tibi pensitatis inibi circumstantiis congrue videbitur alterandi, necnon ex eis quædam penitus refecandi, aliquibus addendi et detrahendi, ad nova ibidem Statuta et Ordinationes faciendi et edendi, illaque observari debere decer- nendi, necnon omnia alia et singula quæ in præmissis ac circa ea quomodo- libet necessaria vel oportuna fuerint disponendi et exequendi, plenam et liberam concedimus eadem auctoritate Apostolica tenore præsentium facul- tatem, non obstantibus præmissis ceterisque contrariis quibuscunque, Datum *Romæ* apud Sanctum Petrum anno Incarnationis Dominicæ MCCCCXXXI octavo Kalendas Octobris Pontificatus nostri anno primo.

POST quarum quidem Literarum Apostolicarum receptionem et earum plenum intellectum de statu rebus et proventibus dicti Hospitalis de *Sherburn* ac omnibus eidem incumbendis, ad plenum certiorari volentes per certos nostros Commissarios speciales ad ipsum Hospitale specialiter destinatos, vo- catis omnibus et singulis qui de jure fuerint evocandi Inquisitionem fieri fecimus diligentem; coram quibus exhibitis et productis dicti Hospitalis  
primaria

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primaria Fundatione, ac nonnullis aliis ordinationibus et Statutis tam per bonæ memoriæ *Hugonem* quam *Richardum* Prædecessores nostros prædictos pro bono Hospitalis ipsius regimine editis atque factis, quæ per huiusmodi exhibita et producta, et per Inquisitionem auctoritate nostra ut præfertur factam;

Comperimus luculenter, quod Fundatio Statuta et Ordinationes de quibus in literis ipsis Apostolicis plenius sit mentio attenta temporum varietate pensatisq; dicti Hospitalis facultatibus quæ a multis jam retroactis et effluxis annis non modicum decreverunt, adeo quod ipsius commoda et proventus ad antiqua onera supportanda hiis diebus non sufficiunt, servari non possunt, et ex eo etiam quod in partibus illis pauci reperiuntur Lepra infecti, alterationem et resecationem Statutorum et Ordinationum infrascriptorum ex causis supra specialiter, et ex aliis veris et legitimis, Nos in hac parte moventibus, etiam de voluntate et consensu expressis dilecti in Christo filii Magistri *Johannis Marshall* Procuratoris et Magistri Hospitalis prædicti, et aliorum in hac parte quorum interest fiendas esse decrevimus, ac auctoritate Apostolica ad easdem procedimus in hunc modum.

IN NOMINE summæ et individuae Trinitatis, Patris et Filii et Spiritus sancti, diligente deliberatione, maturoque concilio in hac parte præhabitis ad honorem Dei, conservationemq; dicti Hospitalis et Pauperum resecationem in eodem, auctoritate Apostolica nobis commissa, Statuta et Ordinationes supra dictorum *Hugonis* et *Richardi*, omnia et singula quatenus nostris subsequentibus Statutis et Ordinationibus, aut eorum alicui adversantur, seu cum eisdem vel eorum aliquo non conveniunt, alteramus et rescamus, et subsequencia Statuta et Ordinationes de novo facimus atque edimus, et illa perpetuis temporibus in futurum inviolabiliter observari debere decernimus.

VOLUMUS igitur et auctoritate prædicta, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod dictum Hospitale et Personæ degentes in eodem, per unam Personam idoneam



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idoneam in ordine Sacerdotali constitutam, vel saltem infra annum post commissionem Magistratus sive Custodiæ ipsius Hospitalis sibi factam proxime sequentem in Presbyterum, ordinandum cui Magistratum sive Custodiam ipsius Hospitalis in singulis ipsius vacationibus duxerimus vel duxerint nostri successores committendum, qui Magister sive Custos ipsius Hospitalis de cetero nuncupabitur vel per ipsius Deputatum vel Locum tenentem ipso absente gubernentur, ac sub ipsius regimen sint et maneant a modo in perpetuum; salva nobis et successoribus nostris nostra et eorum Jurisdictione ordinaria in eisdem.

ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus quod Magister sive Custos Hospitalis prædicti Modernus et alius quicunque pro tempore existens, quatuor Capellanos Seculares honestos, Beneficiis carentes Ecclesiasticis, Missas et alia divina officia in majori Capella dicti Hospitalis quotidie (salva moderatione Canonica) celebraturos; quorum quilibet ad Missam, et ad alia divina officia exequenda ebdomadataurus vice sua; ac quatuor Clericos competentes quidem in lectura cantu et scientia Literarum sufficienter instructos, et ad sacros ordines ascendere visibiliter se disponentes; necnon et duos Pueros in lectura et cantu etiam eruditos, una cum dictis Presbyteris in Capella prædicta in divinis officiis ministraturos de bonis dicti Hospitalis perpetuis futuris temporibus nutriet et sustentet.

ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod prædicti Capellani, Clerici, et Pueri (cessante impedimento legitimo) diebus Dominicis et aliis Festivis quibuscunque Superpelliciis inducti in Capella prædicta matutinas, magnam Missam, Vesperas, et Completorium, aliis vero diebus ferialibus, dictis primitus per eosdem Presbyteros et Clericos temporibus congruis in eadem Capella Matutinis et horis Canonicis, de officio diei magnam Missam, Vesperas, et Completorium ad minus, cum nota simili celebrent et decantent.

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ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod quotidie horis et temporibus congruis, ad Matutinas Missas et Vesperas per unum de Clericis prædictis, ad designationem Magistri dicti Hospitalis vel ejus locum tenentis in prædicta Capella debite pulsetur signum.

ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod nullus dictorum quatuor Capellanorum, ultra certum tempus non prolixum, per Magistrum sive Custodem dicti Hospitalis ejusve Deputatum aut locum tenentem limitandum, a dicto Hospitali se absentent, ita quod duo simul non se absentent, nec licencientur, et tunc tempore hujusmodi absentiae, alii tres Capellani simul conveniant in horis Canonicis et Missis dicendis vel cantandis, secundum quod superius ordinatur, quarti absentia non obstante.

ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod Capellani prædicti Clerici et Pueri omni nocte (cessante causa legitima, et per Magistrum vel ejus locum tenentem approbanda) dormiant et pernoctent infra Hospitale prædictum in Cameris et Domibus per Magistrum ipsis assignandis, et simul in una Domo infra prædictum Hospitale prandeant et reficiantur, Capellani vero Clerici et Pueri sicut pro voto Magistri recipiuntur, ita quod ipsius libito removeantur, nec illorum quisquam perpetuus censeatur.

ITEM, quia inter Epulas vel frequenter miscentur verba otiosa et vana ut cujuscunque casualis insolentiae tollatur occasio; Statuimus et Ordinamus, ut in refectioe meridiana ad minus de divinis Scripturis, Sermonibus, seu Omeliis Sanctorum, aut vita alicujus Sancti lectio habeatur, quæ per unum de quatuor Clericis prædictis legi debeat alternatim.

ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod nomina prædictorum *Hugonis* et *Richardi* Fundatorum Prædecessorum nostrorum atque nostrum scribantur in una Tabula littera formata ponenda super majus Altare Capellæ dicti Hospitalis, ita quod dicti Capellani ibidem celebrantes pro animabus ipsorum  
*Hugonis*



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*Hugonis et Richardi, et Prædecessorum et successorum suorum, necnon Dom. Martini de Sancta Cruce* quondam Procuratoris dictæ Domus sive Hospitalis, qui eidem benefactor fuerat specialis, et pro salubri statu nostro quamdiu fuerimus in humanis, et post obitum nostrum pro anima nostra, et omnium fidelium defunctorum, et eorum Missis Dominum specialiter deprecantur.

ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod singulis diebus post magnam Missam in Cancellis ibidem celebratam, necnon post Vesperas et Completorium, dicant Sacerdotes Clerici et Pueri prædicti quorum media pars stet ex una parte Chori, et alia medietas ex altera, Psalmum de Profundis cum Pater noster et Ave, cum Versiculis consuetis; et Sacerdos qui Missam celebravit, dicat Orationem, Deus qui inter Apostolicos, cum Orationem Fidelium, et in fine dicat, anima *Hugonis* Fundatoris nostri, et animæ Parentum ac Prædecessorum ac Successorum suorum ac Benefactorum eorum et nostrorum, omniumque Fidelium Defunctorum, per misericordiam Dei in pace requiescant, et idem faciant singulis diebus post precem in fine Gratiarum.

ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod in memoriam primariæ Fundationis ipsius Hospitalis quod pro Leprosis infectis fuit fundatum, duo tantum Leprosi si in partibus reperiri poterint, aut sponte illuc accesserint, et ibidem morari voluerint, recipiantur et admittantur, perpetuo seorsum ab aliis juxta ordinationem Magistri ipsius vel Deputati permansuri, et de bonis ejusdem Hospitalis alimentandi et sustentandi.

ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod prædictus Magister sive Custos quicumque pro tempore existens, *tresdecim Viros pauperes qui de suis propriis bonis seipsos sustentare nequeunt*, de bonis ipsius Hospitalis infra ipsum Hospitalis habeant, et perpetuis futuris temporibus sustententur; Quorum et Leprosorum prædictorum cuilibet in Esculentis et Poculentis secundum quantitatem et æstimationem decem denariorum vel decem denariis in pecunia numerata

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numerata, ad electionem ipsorum Pauperum singulis hebdomadis, et de summa sex solidorum et octo denariorum annuatim pro Focali et Vestitu ministratur; quodque Pauperes ipsi in una domo pernoctent et dormiant, et in una simul domo comedant, ac potentes singulis horis et Missis in Capella celebrandis interfint, et horas suas more suo dicant; quilibet (viz.) quindecim Pater noster pro Matutinis diei, et quindecim pro Matutinis beatæ Mariæ Virginis, pro prima quindecim Pater noster, similiter quindecim Pater noster pro tertia, pro sexta quindecim, pro nona quindecim, pro Vesperis quindecim, pro Completorio quindecim; ita ut Medietatem dicant pro horis diei, et Medietatem pro horis beatæ Mariæ; postea dicat quilibet eorum quindecim Pater noster pro peccatis propriis, et totidem pro animabus dicti *Hugonis* Fundatoris et omnium Prædecessorum et Successorum suorum, et omnium Fidelium defunctorum; ita ut omni die quilibet sexaginta Pater noster compleat: Illi autem qui debiles sunt, si non poterint hoc facere, in lectis se erigant tempore horarum et Missæ in Capella dicendarum et ibi Horas suas prædictas dicant; debiliores vero qui se erigere nequeunt, in pace jaceant, et quod dicere possunt dicant.

ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod Pauperes de quibus supra fit mentio in dicto Hospitali perpetui sint et perpetuitatem in ipso habeant quoad vixerint, nec ab illo expelli aut amoveri per Magistrum aut quemlibet alium poterint, nisi propter crimen de quo convicti fuerint, seu alium (ut sequitur) defectum vel culpabiles inveniantur: Si vero ipsorum aliquis brigosus, contumeliosus, contrariusve fuerit fociis, aut exosus et intollerabilis, primo per correctionem Magistri ipsius vel Deputati corrigatur; deinde si sicut prius protervus extiterit, per subtractionem Victualium usque ad Panem et Aquam puniatur, et tertio si adhuc perseveret contumax et inobediens, a communionem Sociorum totaliter ejiciatur, et alius pro eo infra quindecim dies proximos et immediate sequentes, sub poena amissionis unius Nobilis Fabriciæ Ecclesiæ



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Ecclesiæ nostræ Dunelmensis applicandi per Magistrum substituatur, quem etiam terminum quindecim dierum dicto Magistro ad præficiendum alium Pauperem in locum vacantem, quotiens casus vacationis qualitercunque evenerit, sub poena prædicta assignamus; quod si dictus Magister hoc facere distulerit vel neglexerit, nobis et successoribus nostris in Diocesi Dunelmensi existentibus, seu nobis et ipsis absentibus Officialis Dunelmensis, hujusmodi Pauperem in locum sic vacantem subrogandi potestatem reservamus et concedimus per præsentēs.

ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod præfatus Magister five Custos provideat supradictis Leprosis et Pauperibus de una honesta Muliere Vetula bonæ conversationis et bonæ famæ expensis Hospitalis prædicti sustentanda, ad servandum ipsos debiles et infirmos, ad lavandum dictorum Pauperum Vestes, et ad ministrandum eisdem in cæteris requisitis.

ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod si quis Capellanorum supra scriptorum impedimento aliquo perpetuo absque sua notabili culpa detentatus fuerit, quo minus Missam celebrare valeat, dictus Magister five Custos eidem de Victu et Vestitu expensis dicti Hospitalis provideat, donec locus Pauperis alicujus in ipso Hospitali vacaverit, et tunc ipsum Capellanum immediate subroget in locum sic vacantem.

ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod ad officium Magistri five Custodis dicti Hospitalis pertinere debere bona ejusdem Hospitalis fideliter administrare dispersa congregare, congregata servare, jura ipsius defendere et tueri, receptioni Pauperum et eorum congruæ sustentationi sollicitè providere, ne Ædificia prædicti Hospitalis quomodo deformentur, et curare caritatem et pacem inter degentes in eodem Hospitali ædificare pariter et fovere; totam ipsius Hospitalis Oeconomiam Pensionesque de Servitoribus et Ministris Conductitiis cæterisque necessariis pro ipsius Hospitalis utilitate per se vel alium supervidere.

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ITEM, Statuimus et Ordinamus, quod Magister five Custos dicti Hospitalis quicumque cui de cetero Magistratus five Custodia dicti Hospitalis committetur, tempore hujus Commissionis de ipso officio sibi facto, tactis sacrosanctis Evangeliiis corporale præstet Juramentum, quod ipse Statuta et Ordinationes suprascripta omnia et singula quatenus Officium et Personam suam concernunt, bene et fideliter observabit et perimplebit, et quatenus Pauperes, Capellanos, Clericos, aliosque dicti Hospitalis Ministros quoscunque concernunt, ea faciet ab eis et ab eorum quolibet in quantum poterit inviolabiliter observari; quodque Magistro five Custodi hujusmodi Magistratus five Custodia dicti Hospitalis non aliter nec alio modo committantur, nisi juxta formam Constitutionis *Clementinae* quæ incipit *Quia contingit*, et cujusdam Constitutionis *Urbani* Papæ quinti quæ incipit *Quamvis*; ac juxta formam Ordinationis nostræ subscriptæ: Et quod tam de supra dicto Juramento quam de modo et forma Commissionis hujusmodi in ipsis Commissionis literis quibuscunque Magistro five Custodi prædicti Hospitalis quocunque fiendo, fiat mentio per expressum, quod si non fiat Commissionem ipsam, ipso facto decernimus non valere.

NOS autem THOMAS Episcopus Dunelmensis antedictus, autoritate Apostolica qua fungimur in hac parte, omnia et singula contenta in priori Ordinatione Domus five Hospitalis prædicti, quatenus obviant et contrariantur huic nostræ novæ Ordinationi alteramus, rescamus, et adnullamus, et autoritate prædicta, et nostra autoritate Pontificali, omnia et singula superne per Nos statuta et ordinata decernimus, disponimus, et declaramus inviolabiliter inperpetuum observanda; reservanta nobis et successoribus nostris facultate ordinationi, et Statutis nostris prædictis de novo editis; autoritate nostra ordinaria addendi, et ab eisdem subtrahendi ac dirimendi, ac eadem declarandi, seu alias si oporteat in melius reformandi, quotiens et quando nobis vel successoribus nostris expedire videbitur, et nostro eorumve Judicio fuerit opportunam.

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IN quorum omnium et singulorum fidem et firmitatem præsentem Literas nostras, sive præsens publicum Instrumentum per Magistrum *Thomam Jobur* Clericum Londonensem Publicum auctoritate Apostolica Notarium Scribamque et Registratorem nostrum infra scriptum, ad perpetuam rei memoriam subscribi et publicari mandavimus, nostrique Sigilli appensione fecimus communiri. Data et superacta sunt hæc, prout scribuntur et recitantur in Palatio nostro Dunelmensi *viceſimo secundo* die Mensis *Julii* Anno Domini *MCCCCXXIIII*, Indictione septima, Pontificatus præfati sanctissimi in Christo Patris et Domini Domini nostri *Eugenii* Divina Providentia Papæ quarti anno quarto, et nostræ Consecrationis anno viceſimo octavo, Præsentibus Honorabilibus Viris Magistris *Thoma Hebbaden* Legum Doctore Decano Ecclesiæ nostræ Collegiatæ de *Aucklande* Diocesios nostræ, et *Willielmo Doncaster* in Legibus Baccalario Officiali nostro, ac *Thomas Holden* Armigero Senescallo nostro, *Willielmo Moston* et *Johanne Kylyngball* Domicellis Eboracensis et Dunelmensis Diocesios, et aliis in multitudine copiosa ad præmissa vocatis specialiter rogatis.

ET Ego *Thomas Jobur* Clericus Londinensis Publicus auctoritate Apostolica Notarius, et Reverendi in Christo Patris et Domini Domini *Thomæ* Dunelmensis Episcopi Executoris supra scriptis Actorum Scriba et Registrator præfatarum Literarum Apostolicarum, executioni antiquorum Statutorum et Ordinationum prædicti Hospitalis de *Shirburn*, alterationi, rescationi, et adnullationi, novorumque Statutorum et Ordinationum ejusdem Hospitalis factioni, editioni et decreto, cæterisque omnibus et singulis diversis, sic ut præfertur, et in forma prædicta, sub anno Domini Indictionis Pontificis, Mensis Die et Loco prædictis, per præfatum Reverendum Patrem agebantur et fiebant, una cum prænominatis Testibus præsens personaliter interfui, etque omnia et singula sic fieri vidi et audivi, ipsaque per alium fideliter  
scripta

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scripta de Mandato sæpe dicti Reverendi Patris publicavi et in hanc publicam formam redegi, Signoque et Nomine meis solitis, una cum appensione Sigilli præfati Reverendi Patris me subscribendo signavi in fidem et testimonium omnium præmissorum.

Et constat in Notario Publico hic subscripto de Interlineatione Dictionum, *Dominicæ* inter nonam et duodecimam, *quotidie* inter vicesimam tertiam et vicesimam quartam, *sive* inter vicesimam nonam et trigessimam, *ipsum* inter trigessimam quintam et trigessimam sextam, *quatenus* inter quadragesimam nonam et quinquagesimam, *et imperpetuam* inter quinquagesimam tertiam et quinquagesimam quartam lineas: Et de Rasuris Dictionum, *Episcopus* in quinquagesima tertia, *ea subscribi* in quinquagesima sexta lineas, Præsentis Instrumenti a Capite computando; Quas Interlineationes et Rasuras approbo Ego Notarius antedictus.

✠ Thomas Langley was elected Bishop of Durham 17th. May 1406, was Lord Chancellor and Bishop of Durham in the time of three several Kings viz. Henry 4. 5. & 6. by whom he was greatly honoured, and for his singular Wisdom advanced to great Authority in the State. He died at his Palace at Auckland the 20th. Nov. 1437, and was buried in the Chantery founded by him in the Gallilee of Durham Cathedral, under a fair Marble Tomb:



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COLLATION of John Elles to the Vicarage of Kellow 1499.

**R**ICHARDUS Dei gratia Episcopus Dunelmensis, Domino *Johanni*  
*Elles* Capellano salutem gratiam et benedictionem, ad Vicariam per-  
 petuam Ecclesiæ Parochialis de *Kelloe* nostræ Diocesis vacantem, ad quam  
 per Venerabilem Virum Magistrum *Robertum Kent* Sacræ Theologiæ Profess-  
 ori Curatorem Magistri *Alexandri Lygh* Magistri Domus de *Sherborn* verum  
 Patronum ejusdem Hospitalis, Te admittimus intuitu caritatis, teque de  
 continuo et personaliter residendo et ministrando in eadem &c. necnon sol-  
 vendo quemdam annum censum sive annuam Pensionem xxvis. et viii d.  
 Hospitali de *Sherborn* ad duos anni terminos, videlicet, ad festam Sancti  
 Martini in Yeme et Penthacostes singulis annis &c. Vicarium perpetuum in  
 eadem instituimus &c. (*forte xx Julii*) 1499. Mandatum fuit pro ipsius  
 Inductione Magistro Hospitalis.

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GRANT of Mastership to Robert Dykar by Richard Fox Bishop  
 of Durham. 17th. July 1501.

**R**ICHARDUS permissione Divina Dunelmensis Episcopus, dilecto  
 nobis in Christo *Roberto Dykar* Clerico *Bathoniensis* et *Wellensis* Diocesis  
 Notario Publico, salutem gratiam et benedictionem, provida circumspexio  
 persidentis circa reformationem et commoda Hospitalium et aliorum piorum  
 locorum semper intendens Gubernatores providos et utiles administratores  
 in eis deputat et assignat, prout merita personarum exposcunt, et locis ipsis  
 novit utilius expedire; hinc est quod nos animadvertentes, quod non solum  
 per tuæ personæ circumspexam industriam, verum etiam graves et sumptu-  
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GRANT of *Mastership* to Robert Dykar.

osas expensas bonorumq; tuorum largam effusionem Hospitale beatæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de *Sherborn* in suis ædificiis et juribus multipliciter collapsum, et quodammodo per ipsius Hospitalis Magistros Custodes et Rectores desolatum magnifice reformasti, tenentes indubie quod per tuæ circumspectionis industriam et sinceram affectionem quam ad ipsum Hospitale habere dinoscere, feliciter dirigetur imposterum, et tam in spiritualibus quam in temporalibus suscipiet incrementa; Volentesque propterea non solum tibi gratiam facere, sed etiam eidem Hospitali de utili et fructuoso providere Rectore Hospitali prædicto per liberam resignationem Magistri *Alexandri Lee* ultimi Magistri live Custodis ejusdem in manibus nostris factam et per nos admissam vacanti, et ad nostram collationem live dispositionem pleno jure spectanti pro toto tempore vitæ tuæ te præficimus, ( teque de observando Statuta et Ordinationes in nova Ordinatione ejusdem Hospitalis nuper per recolende memoriæ *Thomam Langley* Predecessorem nostrum in ea parte edita, ad sancta Dei Evangelia juratum, juxta formam Constitutionis *Clementinæ* quæ incipit, *Quia contingit*, et cujusdam Constitutionis *Urbani* Papæ quinti quæ incipit, *Quamvis*, ) Magistrum live Custodem perpetuum in eodem cum omnibus suis juribus et pertinentiis universis canonice deputamus et instituimus per præsentem, regimen et administrationem ejusdem in spiritualibus et temporalibus quamdiu vives tibi plenarie committentes, juribus nostris Episcopali- bus Ecclesiæque nostræ Cathedralis Dunelmensis dignitate in omnibus semper salvis. In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum nostrum præsentibus apponi fecimus. Dat. xvij. die mensis *Julii* anno Domini Millesimo quingentesimo primo, et nostræ Translationis anno septimo.



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GRANT of the Mastership of Sherburn Hospital to Roderick Gundisalve ( during pleasure ) by King Henry 7th. the See of Durham being vacant. 11th. May 1507.

( Rymer's Fœdera Vol. 13. p. 167. )

**R**EX Omnibus ad quos &c. salutem &c. Sciatis, quod Nos de gratia nostra speciali, ac certis considerationibus nos specialiter moventibus, dedimus et concessimus, ac per præsentem damus et concedimus prædilecto nostro Doctore *Roderico Gundisalvo* de Puebla Oratori Hispanniæ, Custodiam five Magistratum Domus five Hospitalis de *Shirburn* jam vacantem per mortem ultimi Incumbentis ejusdem, et ad nostram donationem ratione vacationis sedis Dunolmenfis et Temporalium ipsius jam in manibus nostris existentium, pleno jure spectantem, ac dictum Doctorem *Rodericum* Custodem five Magistrum prædictæ Domus five Hospitalis facimus et constituimus per præsentem; Habendum tenendum et gaudendum sibi dictum Magistratum durante bene placito nostro, cum omnibus proficuis juribus et pertinentiis universis antedicto Hospitali five Domui quovismodo spectantibus. In cujus rei testimonium &c: Teste Rege apud Westmonasterium undecimo die Maii. 1507.

Per ipsum Regem.

LEASE of Waste Land at Ebchester.

LEASE of Waste Ground at Ebchester to Geoffrey Wren Master  
of Sherburn Hospital, by \* Thomas Wolsey Bishop of Durham.  
17th. December 1524.

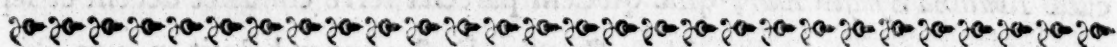
**T**HOMAS miseratione divina, tituli Sanctæ Cecilie sacro sanctæ Romanæ Ecclesiæ Presbiter Cardinalis, Eborum Archiepiscopus, Apostolice sedis etiam de Latere Legatus, Angliæ primas et Cancellarius, necnon Episcopus Dunelm. Omnibus ad quos præsentis Literæ pervenerint, Salutem, Sciatis, quod nos de gratia nostra speciali, ac ob internam affectionem et devotionem, quas versus beatam Mariam Magdalenam, in cuius nomine Hospitale de Shirburn juxta Dunelmum fundatum existit, dedimus concessimus et dimisimus, ac per præsentis damus concedimus et dimittimus Galfrido Wren Clerico Magistro Hospitalis prædicti, totam illam parcellam terræ de vasto nostro vocatæ Haycokland jacentem juxta Ebchester, ex parte Australi de Brochirburn, usque ad finem australem cujusdam acre terræ vocatæ Rouland Symson Aker, quæ quidem parcella terre continet decem et septem acras terræ, et quam quidem Georgius Forster nuper habuit in jure sibi et sequelis suis, secundum consuetudinem Curie nostræ Halmot, et quam quidem parcellam Otmellus Forster filius et hæres dicti Georgii coram nobis in Cancellaria nostra Dunelmensi decimo die Decembris anno Pontificatus nostri secundo, sursum reddidit in manus nostras, ac totam jus suum statum titulum et interesse quæ habet sive habere poterit in eadem parcella terræ, similiter sursum reddidit remisit et relaxavit prout in Rotulis Cancellariæ nostræ plenius liquet: Habendum et tenendum prædictam parcellam terræ  
cum

\* Thomas Wolsey was appointed Bishop of Durham 13 April 1523, and in April 1528 he resigned this for Winchester; after which the Revenues and Profits of the See were given to Anne Boleyn Queen to Henry the 8th. for one Year, during which time it continued in Abeyance.



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cum suis pertinentiis præfato *Galfrido Wren* successoribus suis et assignatis a festo Inventionis Sanctæ Crucis proxime futuro, usque finem termini *octoginta annorum* proxime sequentium et plenarie complendorum; reddendo inde annuatim nobis et successoribus nostris ad Scaccarium nostrum Dunelmensi ad terminos ibidem usuales quinque solidos et octo denarios equis porcionibus, ita quod si defectus fiat in solutione dictorum quinque solidorum et octo denariorum, seu alicujus inde parcellæ, post aliquem terminum quo solvi debeat per viginti dies, tunc bene licebit nobis et successoribus nostris, in prædicta parcella terræ intrare et distringere, distractiones ibidem captas abducere &c. Et nos vero et Successores nostri dictam parcellam terræ cum pertinentiis præfato *Galfrido* et Assignatis suis contra omnes gentes warrantizabimus durante termino prædicto &c. In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus Patentes, Teste *Willielmo Frankeleyn* Clerico Cancellario nostro apud Dunelmum *decimo Septimo die Decembris* anno Pontificatus nostri Secundo.



*The COLLATION of Thomas Leghe to the Mastership of  
Sherburn Hospital by Bishop Tunstall. 14th. Sept. 1535.*

**C**UTHBERTUS Permissione Divina Dunelm. Episcopus, dilecto nobis in Christo Venerabili Viro Magistro *Thomæ Leghe* Legum Doctori, salutem, gratiam et benedictionem. Hospitale Sanctæ Mariæ Magdalenæ de Sherborn nostrorum Patronatus et Diocesis per promotionem Venerabilis Viri Magistri *Edwardi Fox* Regiæ Majestatis Elemosinarii ad Episcopatum *Herfordensis*, ultimi Magistri sive Custodis ejusdem jam vacantem, et ad nostram Collationem pleno jure spectantem; Tibi secundum formam antiquam ejusdem


dem

## COLLATION of Thomas Leghe.

dem Hospitalis, intuitu caritatis conferimus, teque Magistrum five Custodem ejusdem primitus de observando Fundationem Ordinationem Statuta et laudabiles Consuetudines ipsius Hospitalis, ad Sancta Dei Evangelia juratum Canonice instituimus et investimus in eodem, cum suis juribus et pertinentiis universis, decernentes te vel Procuratorem tuum quemcunque legitime et sufficienter in hac parte constitutum, in realem actualem et corporalem possessionem ejusdem juriumque et pertinentiarum suorum universorum, per quemcunque literatum inducendum fore, jure et dignitate nostris et Ecclesie nostre Cathedralis Dunelmensis in omnibus semper salvis.

In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum nostrum presentibus apponi fecimus. Dat. apud Manerium nostrum de Stockton *decimo quarto* die mensis *Septembris* anno Domini 1535, et nostre Translationis anno sexto.

## CUTH. DURESME

 Thomas Leghe was Doctor of Laws a Master in Chancery, and appointed by Hen. 8. anno 1535 one of the Commissioners and Visitors for suppressing Religious Houses and Monasteries. See his Letters to Thomas Cromwell Lord Privy Seal in the Harleian Catalogue of MSS. Num. 604. Art. 22. 24. and at the end of Willis History of Abbies p. 54.

In 1540. 30 & 31 Hen. 8. Dec. 29 & 31 Nesham and Durham Abbies were both surrendered to Dr. Leghe. Rymers Fœdera Vol. 14. p. 659. 664.

In 1540. 30 & 31 Hen. 8. the Sites of the following Priories and Abbey were granted to him, Caldwell Priory in Bedfordshire valued at 148. 15. 10. Nostell Priory near Pontefract 606. 9. 3. Tockwith, a Chappell to Nostell 8. 0. 0. Calore Abbey near Egremont in Cumberland 64. 3. 9. in the whole 827. 8. 10 a Year. Tanners Notitia p. 3. 76. 645. 646.



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GRANT of the next Presentation to the Vicarage of *Bishopton*,  
by the Master and Brethren of *Sherburn Hospital*. 20 April 1541.

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præfens scriptum pervenerit,  
*Thomas Leghe* LLD. Magister five Custos Domus five Hospitalis vul-  
gariter appellati *Sherborn Howse* Dunelmensis Dioceſeos, et ejusdem loci Con-  
fratres, veri et indubitati Patroni Vicariæ perpetuæ Ecclesiæ Parochialis de  
*Bishopton* Dioceſeos Dunelmensis, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Sciatis,  
Nos præfatum Magistrum et Confratres unanimi consensu et assensu nostris;  
dedisse et concessisse ac per præfens scriptum dare et concedere dilecto nobis  
*Willielmo Wren* Generoso, *Willielmo Rychardſon*, *Roberto Symſon*, et *Henrico*  
*Rychardſon* Yomen, primam et proximam advocationem nominationem do-  
nationem collationem et jus præſentandi ad dictam Vicariam perpetuam de  
*Bishopton* pro unica et proxima vacationis ejusdem vice tantum, ita quod  
bene licebit dictis *Willielmo Wren*, *Willielmo Rychardſon*, *Roberto Symſon*, et  
*Henrico Rychardſon* eorum seu alicujus eorundem Executoribus seu Assigna-  
tis conjunctim et divisim cum primo et proximo dicta Vicaria perpetua per  
mortem resignationem permutationem seu per vacationem moderni Incum-  
bentis ejusdem, seu aliter qualitercunque primo et proxime vacaverit, perso-  
nam aliquam habilem et idoneam Episcopo ibidem Dioceſano seu alteri in ea  
parte potestatem sufficientem habenti nominare et præſentare locareque ac  
facere instituti et induci in eadem cum suis juribus et pertinentiis universis.  
In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum nostrum commune apposuimus. Dat. Vi-  
cesimo die mensis *Aprilis* anno Domini 1541.

**NOTE of Abuses in the Hospital.**

**A NOTE** of the miserable abusyon of Lands and Goods given unto the Hospital of Sherburn, only for the sustentation of poor People, which is now abused. This appears to be wrote about the time of Hen. 8. or Edw. 6.

**T**HE first foundation of Sherburn Howse, was for sixty five Layseris, with a Maister, who had rule of all together, and kept continual Residens there.

Afterwarte, becawse the Howse began to decay, and that ther cowlde not so many Laiferis be found in that part of England;

There was an Ordination obteyned (1434) whereby there showld be found foure Preefts, foure Deacons, and two Children to keipe dayly Service.

Item, sixteen poor People, viz. for thirteen poor Men, two Layseris, with one poor Woman to attend them.

And for every one of the said poor People either tenpence for every Week or else their Commons, whether they had lever.

And also to every one of them to have vi s. viij d. for Fier and Clothes, and this Ordination hath dured out of time of mynde, till within the space of xxx Yeres or there abowte.

And in the mean tyme, diverse well disposed People did give unto the Howse to be pray'd for, so that Sum did found a Dirige or Masse for ever, and limit for xiiij s. iiij d. to be distribute, one part to the Mynysters of the Queer, another part to the Brother Howse, and the third part to be given at the Gates.

After this, is there another Ordination obteyned by one Mr. Dykar, (1501) and by that, all the sixteen poor People were utterly expelled, and in their place



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place, two Preefts, two Diacons, and fower Children, so that by this Ordination, there shoud be six Preefts, six Diacons, and six Queresters.

But is there neither poor Man, nor poor Woman, neither yet Preeft nor Clerk, nor Child, found of the Howse charge, saving only two Preefts, two Clerks, and two Children, which the Fermor doth keep by reason of his Lease.

And all the Residue of the Revenues of the Howse, being only poor Mens Livings, goeth all together to the private use of the Master.

*This is a Copy of that Instruction that Mr. Trollop delyvered to Mr. Thomas Eynns Surveyor of the Kings Lands within the Bishopricke of Duresme, which Remembrance or Instruction was sent to the said Mr. Trollop by one Dr. Wellfett, and as he thinks was of Dr. Wellfetts own writing.*

*Per me Thomam Eynns Supervisorem.*

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**A**NTHONY BELLASYSE Doctor of the Civil Law and a Master in Chancery, succeeded Dr. Leghe as Master of Sherburn Hospital about 1546, and in 36 Hen. 8. was one of the four specially appointed by the King to hear Causes and pass Decrees in the Court of Chancery, in the absence of Sir Tho. Wriothesley Lord Chancellor; and in the reign of Edw. 6. being wrote Anthony Belafs Esquire, he was one of the Kings Council in the North. On the dissolution of the Monasteries, he obtained a Grant of Newborough Abbey in the County of York, valued at 457. 13. 5. which he afterwards gave to Sir Will. Bellasyse Knight his Nephew, and is now (1772) the Seat of Earl Fauconberge. Collins Peerage Vol. 3. p. 276. Tanners Notitia 658.

## MASTER'S COLLATION.

*The COLLATION of Anthony Salvayn B. D. by Bishop Tunstall  
to the Office of Master of Sherburn Hospital 13th. August 1552.*

CUTHBERTUS Permissione Divina Dunelm. Epif. ad infra scripta  
suprema aucte Regia fuffult. dilecto nobis in Christo Venerabili Viro  
Magistro *Antonio Salvayn* in S. Theologia Baccalaurio Capellano nostro Salu-  
tem Gratiam et Benedictionem. Hospitale S. Mariæ Magdalenæ de *Sherborn*  
nostrorum Patronatus et Diocef. per mortem naturalem Magistri *Antoni  
Bellasis* Legum Doctoris ultimi Magistri five Custodis ejusdem jam vacantem  
et ad nostram Collacionem pleno Jure spectantem; Tibi secundum formam  
antiquam ejusdem Hospitalis intuitu Caritatis conferimus Teque Magistrum  
five Custodem ejusdem primitus de observando Fundationem Ordinationem  
Statuta et laudabiles Consuetudines ipsius Hospitalis ad sancta Dei Evangelia  
juratum Canonice Instituimus et Investimus in eodem suis Juribus et Perti-  
nentibus universis decernentes te vel Procuratorem tuum quemcunq; legiti-  
me et sufficienter in hac parte constitutum in realem actualement et corporalem  
Possessionem ejusdem Juriumque et Pertinentium suorum universorum per  
quemcunq; Literatum inducendum fore, Jure et Dignitate nostris et Ecclesiæ  
nostræ Cathedralis Dunelm. in omnibus semper salvis. In cujus rei Testimo-  
nium Sigillum nostrum Præsentibus apponi fecimus. Dat. *decimo tercio* die  
Mensis *Augusti* anno Domini 1552 et nostræ Translationis anno *Vicesimo tercio*.

CUT. DURESME ❀



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*The PETITION of Anthony Salvayn Master of Sherburn Hospital to Bishop Tunstall for a Commission of Enquiry into several Abuses in granting Leases of the said Hospital by Thomas Leghe and Anthony Bellasis the two preceeding Masters thereof. April 1557.*

To the Right Reverende Father in Gode CUTHBERT Bishop of Durham.

**I**N his moste humble wyise compleyninge shewith unto youre goode Lordshippe youre Orator and daylie Beadman *Anthonye Salvayn* Clerke Maister of *Sherborne* otherwise callede *Sherborne house* in the Countye Palentyne of Durham. That where the faide Hospital haith beyn of auneyntt tyme incorporate by the Founders of the same Howse by the name of *Maister Bretherin and Susters*, and by the Foundation therof certen poour Men and Women were appoyntede and ordeynede to be Bretherin and Susters of the same, whiche sayde Corporacon haith so contynuede by that name ever sence the sayde foundation tyme foorth of memorye of Man to the contrarye and yet doithe, and by whiche Foundation it was also ordeynede that certen Preafts shulde be founden in the same Howse by the sayde Maister Brethern and Susters and their Successours, for the Mayntenaunce of Divyne Service there to be celebratede and done as Chaplens havinge no perpetuytie but removable at the will and pleasure of the Maister of the said House for the tyme beinge. And where also one *Sir Thomas Legh* Knight deceasede late Maister of the sayde Hospital in the \*xxxii Yeare of the reign of our laite Soveraygn Lorde of moiste famous memorye *Kynge Henrye* the eight, by the name of *Thomas Legh* Doctor of Lawe and the Fellowes of the same Hospital dyde by their Deade indented dimise and lett unto one *Christofer Carre* deceasede and *Elisabeth* his Wiff, the same Hospital with all Landes Tenements Tyethes and all other Hereditaments Spirituall and Temporall perteaninge and belonging to the same Hospital for the terme of xx Yeaes then nexte ensueinge,

excepte

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excepte the Patronagies of all Vicariages perteaninge to the same Hospital, and dyvers other Comodities and Profits for the abydinge of the saide Maister at the sayde Hospital at his Will and Pleasure; Yeldinge and payinge yearly for the same to the sayde *Thomas Legh* and his Successours *One Hundredth Poundes* at two termes of the yeare conteanede in the saide Lease, by which Indenture the sayde *Christofer Carre* and *Elisabeth* his Wiff dyde covenanthe and grante to and with the saide *Thomas Legh* and Fellowes and their Successours, nott onely to fynde sufficientt and competente Meate, Drynke, Lodgyng, and Washing for *eight poore Men and Women* beinge Brethern and Sisters of the sayde House, *four Chaplens, two Deacons* and *four Choristers*, to ministrate Dyvyne Service in the same House duringe all the sayde terme, but also to contentt and pay yearly duringe the sayde terme dyverse Fees and Waiges to dyverse necessarye Officers and Servaunts to be founde in the sayde House, and to supporte and beare the Reparacions of all the Houses and Buyldeings of the sayde Hospitall, and dyvers necessarye charges for the mayntenaunce and contynuaunce of the sayde Hospital accordinge to the sayde Foundation, amountynge to the yearly charge and value of *Four-score Poundes* over and besyd the sayde yearly Rent of C £. reservede in the saide Indenture, as by the sayde Indenture and a Cedula thereunto annexede more playnlye may appere.

SO IT IS Right Reverende Father, that the saide *Thomas Legh* myndinge and entendinge not onely to alter and chaunge the auncyntt and godlye Foundation of the same House, but also the utter Disinherytaunce, Decaye, and Distruction therof; within foure Yeares next after the makynge of the saide Lease of the Premisses to the sayde *Christofer Carre* and *Elisabeth* his Wiff, (that is to saye) in the \* xxxv Yeare of the saide laite Reign of *King Henry* th'eigt, by wrytyng dyde not onely dimyse and lett all the Premisses with their Appurtenauntts to one *Thomas Gargrave* and *Thomas Legh* Gent.

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by the name of *Thomas Legh* Maister of the sayde Hospital Brethern and Fellowes of the same, contrarye to the Corporacion and Foundation of the same House, without the Assentt, Conccentt and Agrement of the Brethern and Sufters of the same House for the tyme beinge; To have and to holde the same Premiffes to the sayde *Thomas Gargrave* and *Thomas Legh* frome the tyme of the makynge of the faide Lease unto th'ende and terme of *Fourscore and Nineteen* Yeares then next followinge, yeldynge and painge unto the faide *Thomas Legh* and the Brethern of the same House xl. Pounds onely at two termes in the Yeare conteanede in the same Lease, without any Exception or other Reservacion or Covenannt or Graunte for the necessarye fyndinge of the faide Brethern, Sufters, Chaplens, Deacons, Chorufsters, and other Officers and Servauntts aforfaide, or for the supportinge and bearinge of the necessarye Reparacion of the same Howses and Buyldings of the same Hospital, or for any other necessarye charges perteaninge to the same Hospital; but also dyde gyve and graunte to dyvers Perfones severall Annuityes and Rent Charges for terme of their Lyff, goinge furthe of the Premiffes; and also haith gyven and graunted dyvers Perfones the Patronagies and Advocacions of dyvers Vicariages in the Countye of Durham, the Patronaige or Gifte wherof doithe of right apperteyn and belonge to the faide Hospital; And dymifed and lettete to ferme dyvers and fundrye Tyethes Lands and Tenements, parcel of the Possessions of the faide House for greate nombre of Yeares yet to come, to the utter Subvertion and Distruction of the auntyent and true Corporacion and Foundation of the sayde Hospital.

And forasmuche as the sayde Lease mayde to the sayde *Christofer Carre* and *Elisabeth* his Wiff of the sayde Premiffes, haith yet its beinge and contynuaunce for the terme and space of dyvers yeares yett to come, so that the sayde Secounde Lease cannot taik effect, nor the valyditie or trial therof come in questyon betwene youre sayde Orator nowe beinge Maister of the same Hospital and Brethern and Sufters thereof, and the said *Tho. Gargrave*

And

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and *Thomas Legh* duringe the sayde Yeares yett to come in the faide former Lease.

And further where *Anthonye Bellysses* Clerke deceassed was also Maister of the sayde Hospital next after the sayde *Thomas Legh*; and haith contryvede and mayde dyvers and sundrye Grauntts and Assuraunts by writynge under the Seall of the sayde Hospital in the name of the Maister, Brethern, and Susters, as well of and in dyvers and sundrye Annuities and Rente Charges to dyvers Persones for the terme of their lyves, goinge fourth of the Possessions of the same Hospital, as also dyvers and sundrye Leases for terme of Yeares; of dyvers Tyethes and other Possessions of the faide Hospital, and Grauntts of the Advoufions and Patronagies of dyvers the sayde Vicariagies belonging to the faide Hospital, and parcel of the Possessions therof, without the assentt consentt and agreament of the sayde Brethern and Susters of the same Hospital.

And forasmuche also, suche as were Brethern and Susters in the same Hospital at the tyme of the makynge of the sayde seconde Lease of the Premisses unto the faide *Thomas Gargrave* and *Thomas Legh*, and other Grauntts by the sayde *Thomas Legh* mayde to others; and also at the tyme of the sayde Leases and Grauntts mayde by the sayde *Anthonye Bellysses* or the moiste parte of them are yett lyvinge, contynuinge, and abydinge within the same Hospital, and are verye olde, impotent, and feakly Persones, and nott likely to lyve unto th'ende and determinacion of the sayde former Lease maide of the Premisses to the sayde *Christofer Carre* and *Elisabeth* his Wiffe, in whoise Testimonye and Wittnesse the verye true makynge of the sayde seconde Lease and Dymise of the faide Premisses unto the sayde *Thomas Gargrave* and *Thomas Legh*, and all and every the faide severall Grauntts and Leases, as well mayde by the sayde *Thomas Legh* and *Anthonye Bellysses* or either of theme to anye Person or Persones of anye of the Premisses, whether the same were mayde by the full assentt, concentt, and agrementt, of the sayde Brethern and Susters



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Suffers for that tyme beinge or nott, whiche if they shulde chaunce to dye before the Tryall of the sayde seconde Lease mayde of the sayde Premisses to the sayde *Thomas Gargrave & Thomas Legh*, or anye other Graunte made aforfayde of anye of the Premisses shulde come in Question, the trueth therof shulde not evydentlye appeare, and therby your sayde Orator and the Brethern and Susters of the same Hospitall and their Successours shulde be in greate Danger to be encombrede and chargede with the sayde seconde Lease, and other Grauntts and Leases, although the same be nott effectuell nor goode in the Lawe, whiche might not onely be to the utter undoinge of theme and their Successours, but also to the utter distruction and subversion of the same Hospitall for ever.

IN CONSIDERATION wherof it may please youre goode Lordshipe to graunte the Kynge and Quenes Highnesse Writte of Comissione; to be directede fourth of the Chauncerye of Durham, to fuche Wurschipfull and indeferente Persons within the sayde Countye of Durham, as shall seme to youre Lordshippe moiste mete and convenyentt; auctorifynge theym or fuche certen noumbre of theyme as You shall appoynte, therbye to examyne all and evry fuche Wittneses as youre sayde Orator shall bringe, or cause to be brought before theyme upon fuche Interrogatoryes as shall be ministrede unto theym on the behalffe of youre sayde Orator concernyng the same Premisses, and all and every thinge mayde or doyne by the faide *Sir Thomas Legh*, and also by the sayde *Anthonye Bellysses*, or by either of theyme, and to certifye their Examination therein into the sayde Chauncerye of Durham, at a certen daye by the same to be lymitede, there to be recordede and enrollede of Recorde in *perpetuam rei memoriam*, for the further Testimonye of the Trueth in the same Premisses, and youre sayde Orator shall daylie praye to Gode for the Preservation of youre Lordshippe in honor longe to endure.

ANTH. SALVAYN

## COMMISSION of ENQUIRY.

COMMISSION of Enquiry issued out of the Court of Chancery  
at Durham on the preceeding Petition. 15th. April 1557.

**P**HILLIPPUS et MARIA Dei Gratia Rex et Regina Angliæ Hispaniarum, Franciæ, utriusque Siciliæ, Jerusalem, et Hiberniæ, Fidei Defensores, Archiduces Austriæ, Duces Burgundiæ, Mediolani et Brabant, Comit. Haspurgi, Flandriæ et Tirolis, dilectis et fidelibus suis *Georgio Conyers Mil. Roberto Hyndmer Clerico, Roberto Meynell Servient. ad Legem, Radulpha Dalton Arm. et Anthonio Middilton Generoso* Salutem. Sciatis, quod Nos de fidelitatibus et providis circumspectionibus vestris plenius confidentes, assignavimus Vos Commissionarios nostros, ac Vobis quinque, quatuor, tribus, vel duobus vestrum, plenam potestatem et auctoritatem damus et concedimus per presentes, examinandi quoscunque Testes de et super quibusdam Interrogatoriis presentibus annexis. Et ideo Vobis mandamus, quod ad certos dies et loca quos ad hoc provideritis Testes, ac alios quoscunque quos maxime pro testificatione Veritatis præmissorum fore videritis evocandos coram vobis quinque, quatuor, tribus, vel duobus vestrum venire et evocari faciatis ac ipsos et eorum quemlibet de et super Interrogatoriis prædictis super sancta Dei Evangelia diligenter examinetis, aliisque viis et modis quibus melius sciveritis aut poteritis inquiratis, juxta tenorem et effect. Interrogator. prædict. et de et super quadam Petitione nobis per dilectum nostrum in Christo *Anthonium Salvayn* Clericum exhibita et præsent. annexa. Et cum Examinaciones Testium, Depositiones, et Inquisitiones illas sic ceperitis et feceritis, nos de hujusmodi Examinacionibus Testium Depositionibus et Inquisitionibus sub Sigillis vestris quinque, quatuor, trium, vel duorum vestrum, citra ultimum diem Maij proxime futurum in Cancellariam apud Dunelmum reddatis certiores has Literas nostras vobis remittent. Teste *Cuthberto* Episcopo Dunelmensi decimo quinto die Aprilis Annis Regni nostri tercio et quarto.



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INTERROGATORIES *to be mynistrede on the behalfe of Anthony Salvayn Clerke Master of the Hospital of Sherborne otherwise callede Sherborne-houfe in the Countye of Durham, to the Wittnesses to be producle and sworne on the behalffe of the sayde Anthony Salvayn ad perpetuam rei memoriam. 24th. May 1557.*

**F**IRSTE, Whether Ye knowe the sayde Hospital of *Sherborne*, and whether ye dyde knowe one *Thomas Legh* laite Maister of the same or no?

2. Item, Whether Ye have harde that the sayde *Thomas Legh* beinge Maister of the sayde Hospitall, dyde dymise and lett the sayde Hospitall and all Landes Tenementts, and Hereditamentts, belonginge to the same, to one *Thomas Gargrave* and *Thomas Legh*, for terme of Yeares or no? And if he dyde, what Rentt was reservede in the same Lease, and howe longe it is sence the sayde Lease was mayde, as ye have harde?

3. Item, Whether You or anye of youe be poore Beadmen and Beadwomen and Brethern and Sisters of the same Hospitall, or Chaplens, and Preafts, within the same Hospitall or no? and if ye be, what noubre of you, and howe longe ye have beyne Brethern and Sisters or Chaplens there, and by whome ye were admittede?

4. Item, Whether You or any of you were requyrede to maike the faide Lease, and gyve your Assentts to the same Lease maide unto the sayde *Thomas Gargrave* and *Thomas Legh*, and by whom ye were requirede, and where and howe longe it is sythence ye were so requyrede?

5. Item, Whether You or anye of you dyde assentt, concentt, and agree to the makynge of anye suche Lease to the sayde *Thomas Gargrave* and *Thomas Legh* of the faide Premiffes or no?

6. Item,

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6. Item, If Ye dyde agree to the makynge of the fame, whether the fame were by writynge or without writynge? and if the fame were by writynge, whether ye dyde assentt and agree to the sealyng and dyliverye of the fame wrytinge, and whether ye were presentt att th'ensealyng and delyverye therof, and what other Persones were then presentt, and where, when, and by whome, and to whome the fame was sealede and delyverede?
7. Item, If ye dyde assentt and agree to the makinge sealyng and delyverye of any fuche Lease, whether the fame assentt was of youre own free will or by menasse thretyng or duresse of Imprysomentt of the sayde *Thomas Legh* laite Maister of the sayde Hospital or no?
8. Item, Whether you or anye of you dyde assentt and agree to the makynge of anye other Lease or Leases, Annuities, or other Grauntts maide of Patronages and Advowsons of Vicarages by the faide *Thomas Legh* laite Maister aforseyde, to anye Person or Persones for Yeares, Liffe or Lyffes, by writynge or otherwise, of anye of the Possessions of the sayde Hospital; and whether ye dyde assentt and agree to the sealyng and delyveryng of anye fuche wrytinge or no?
9. Item, If ye were pryvie or dyde assentt to the makynge sealinge or delyverye of anye fuche Lease or Leases, Grauntt or Grauntts, to what Person or Persones the fame was mayde or grauntede, and what Landes, Tenementts, Annuitys, Rentts, Fees, or Patronages, and Advowsons, were conteanede in the sayde Leases or Grauntts?
10. Item, Whether you or anye of youe beinge Prcasts or Chaplens within the sayde Hospital, doith knowe or were pryvie that anye of the Beadmen or Beadwomen there beinge Brethern and Susters of the same Hospital were requirede to assentte and agree to the makynge sealyng and delyverye of the sayde Lease mayde to the sayde *Thomas Gargrave* and *Thomas Legh*, or anye other Lease or Grauntt, Leases or Grauntts, mayde by the sayde *Thomas Legh* Maister of the sayde Hospital, to anye other Person or Persones of the  
Premisses



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Premisses; and whether the Beadmen and Beadwomen then beinge Brothers and Sisters of the same Hospital there dyde assentt and agree unto the same or no?

11. Item, Whether ye dyde knowe *Anthonye Bellysses* Clerk deceassed laite Maister of the saide Hospital or no?

12. Item, Whether ye dyde knowe that the sayde *Anthonye Bellysses* dyde make anye Grauntte, Demyse, or Lease, of anye Landes, Tenementts, Tythes, Patronages, and Advousons of Vicarages or Churches, Fees or Annuities, goinge furthe of anye of the Possessyons of the sayde Hospital, to anye Person or Persones, for terme of Lyff or Lyffes, Yeares, or otherwyse, by writyng under Seall of the saide House; and whether ye dyde assentt and agree to the makinge, sealyng, and delyverye, of anye suche writyng, yea or no?

13. Item, If ye were pryvy or dyde assentt to the makinge sealyng and delyverye of anye suche Leases or Grauntts mayde by the sayde *Anthonye Bellysses*, where, when, by whome, and to whome, the saide writynges and Leases and Grauntts were sealede and delyverede, and who was presentt at the sealyng and delyveringe therof, and to what Person and Persones the same Leases and Grauntts were mayde and graunted, and what Landes, Tenementts, Annuities, Rentts, Patronages, and Advousons of Vicarages or Churches were conteynede in the sayde Leases and Grauntts; what Interest and Estate the same Leases and Grauntts shulde have by the same?

14. Item, Whether you or anye of you beinge Preadts or Chaplens within the sayde Hospital, doith knowe or were pryvy, that anye of the Beadmen or Beadwomen then beinge Brethern and Sisters of the same Hospital, were requyrede to assentt and agree to the makinge sealyng and delyveringe of anye Lease or Leases, Grauntt or Graunttes, mayde by the sayde *Anthonye Bellysses* to anye Person or Persones of the Premisses or anye parte therof,  
and

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and whether the Beadmen and Beadwomen there beinge Brothers and Sisters then dyde assentt and agree unto the same, or no?

DEPOSITIONS of Witnesses taken on the preceeding Commission  
and Interrogatories. 26th. April 1557.

**E**XCELLENTISSIMIS et Potentissimis in Christo Principibus et Dominis nostris *Philippo et Mariae* Dei gratia Angliæ Hispaniarum &c. Regi et Reginae, Fidei Defensoribus, Archiducibus Austriæ, Ducibus Burgundiæ, Mediolani et Brabantia Comitibus, Hasburgiæ, Flandriæ, et Tirolis, in Cancellaria Dunelm. *Robertus Hyndmer* Legum Doct. Cancellarius Dunelm. *Robertus Meynell* Arm. Serviens ad Legem, et *Radulphus Dalton* de *West Awkelande* in Com. Dunelm. Arm. optimam salutem et felicitatem precantur et optant: Literas vestras Regias Commissionales e Cancellaria Dunelmenfi de potestate Commissionali nobis et *Georgio Conyers* Militi ac *Anthonio Myddleton* Generoso et tribus nostrum directas una cum Petitione et Interrogatoriis eisdem Literis Commissionabilibus annexis in Galilea Ecclesiæ Cath. Dunelmenfis decimo septimo die Aprilis, in absentia dictorum *Georgii Conyers* Militis et *Anthonii Myddleton* Generosi per venerabilem Virum Magistrum *Anth. Salvayn* in Sacra Theologia Baccalaurium Magistrum siue Custodem Hospitalis siue Domus Leproforum et Infirmorum beate Marie Magdalene de *Sherborn* juxta Dunelmum Diocesis Dunelmenfis in presentia *Christophori Chaytor* Notarii Publici presentatas et exhibitas cum omni humilitate et subjectionis honore accepimus.

Quibus Literis perlectis ad Petitionem dicti Magistri *Anthonii Salvayn* de Mandato nostro publice per præfatum *Christophorum Chaytor* ibidem Nos præfati



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fati *Robertus Hyndmer, Robertus Meynell, et Radulphus Dalton*, onus dictarum Literarum Commissionarium hujusmodi in nos assumpsimus et ad petitionem ejusdem Magistri *Anthonii Salvayn* procedendum fore in dicto negotio juxta juris exigentiam in hac parte et pro Jurisdictione nostra in ea parte decrevimus in presentia predicti *Christophori Chaytor* Notarii Publici, quem in Actorum nostrorum Scribam in eodem negotio assumpsimus, tunc ibidem deinde die Lunæ (*viz.*) *Vicesmo sexto* die Men. *Aprilis* coram nobis præfat. *Rob. Hyndmer Rob. Meynell et Rad. Dalton* in magna Camera infra Castrum Reverendi in Christo Patris et Domini Domini *Cuthberti* permissione divina *Dunelm. Epif.* in presentia dicti Notarii Publici Scribe nostri in hac parte ( ut præfertur ) assumpti comparuit personaliter dictus Magister *Anthoni Salvayn* et produxit tunc ibidem coram nobis quosdam Testes *viz. Radulphum Czarwe, Willielmum Todd, Cuthbertum Bell, et Thomam Mattheve*, dicte Domus sive Hospitalis de *Sherborne* Capellanos sive Presbiteros ejusdem, *Robertum Hixon, Johannem Legbe, et Thomam Battle*, ejusdem Domus sive Hospitalis Fratres, super dictis Petitione et Interrogatoriis admitti jurari et ad futuram et perpetuam rei memoriam in debita juris forma examinari, ad cujus Magistri *Anthonii Salvayn* petitionem auctoritate et vigore dictarum Literarum Commissionarium ad receptionem testium per dictum Magistrum *Anthonium Salvayn* sic productorum procedendum fore decrevimus, eosque sic productos admisimus, eosque tactis Sacrosanctis Dei Evangelis juramento corporali oneravimus de dicendo omnem et omnimodam veritatem quam sciverint in eodem negotio circa Petitionem et Interrogatoria prædicta omni favore, amore, timore, et odio postpositis.

Quos quidem Testes Nos præfati *Robertus Hyndmer, Robertus Meynell, et Radulphus Dalton* in presentia dicti Notarii Publici Scribe nostri antedicti, secrete et figillatim examinavimus.

Quorum Testium, Dicta, et Depositiones per dictum Notarium fideliter transcripta sequuntur et sunt talia.

RADULPHUS

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**RADULPHUS CRAWE** *Presbyter circiter xliij annorum ætatis*  
*Testis super dicta Petitione et Interrogatorijs productus admissus juratus*  
*et secrete examinatus.*

Upon the *first* Interrogatorye examyned he saithe it is true, for this Deponente is one of the Presbiters of t'Hospital of *Sherborn*, and doithe knowe that Hospital, and dyde knowe the laite Maister there Mr. *Thomas Leghe*.

To the *seconde* Interrogatorye he saithe, that he doithe knowe there was a Lease maid to *Thomas Gargrave* and *Thomas Leghe* of the saide Hospital and Laundes therof by the saide *Thomas Leghe* than Maister of the same, but he never knewe of the makynge therof, for it was sent from *Newcastle* to *Sherborn* to this Examynate and other Presbiters beinge Chapleyns there to set their handes to it, and this Deponente subscribed his name therto, and so dyd the rest of the Prests therof; and as for the Rente he saithe he beleveth there was onely XL £. reserved for the Maister, Prests, Bretheren, and Susters, for a certayn tyme, how long he cannot remember, and that it is as he remembreth about xiiij Yeres past sence this Deponente subscribed to that Lease.

To the *third* he saithe, he is a Chapleyn in that Hospital of *Sherborn*, and haith ben there xxi yeres, beinge admit to that rowme by Mr. *Doctor Fox* then Maister of the fornamed Hospital, but nether he nor his Fellowes beinge Prests and Chapleyns there, were reputed or taken for anye of the Corporation to be anye of the Bretheren of that Hospital of *Sherborn*.

To the *fourth* he saithe, that nether he this Deponente nor his Fellowes the Chapleyns there, were prevye to the makynge of the fornamed Lease to suche tyme it was sent sealed frome *Newcastell* as aforaid to this Deponente and his Fellowes the Chapleyns to subscribe ther names, and they subscribed and durst not denye the same, but where, nor in what plaice it was sealed, this Deponente can not depose.

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To the *fifth* he saith and answerith as he hath saide to the *iiij th*. Interrogatorye.

To the *sixth* he saith even as he hath deposed to the *iiij th*. Interrogatorye, sainge further, that he never dyde knowe of the sealinge or delyveringe of the saide Lease, or to whome, or when it was delivered, but that he set his name to it after it was sealed more for fear of *Maister Legbe's* displeasour than for anye good will.

To the *seventh* he saith, for fear of the displeasour of their Maister *Maister Legbe* they subscribed their names therunto.

To the *eighth* he answerith, that there were diverse Leases Grauntts and Advoufances maid and sealed by the said Mr. *Thomas Legbe*, wherunto this Examinee and other Chapleyns subscribed their names unto after they were sealed, for Mr. *Doctor Legbe* usede to make and sele suche withoute their consentts, and then send to them to subscribe their names to them.

To the *ninth* he saith, as for makynge sealinge or deliverye of anye Leases Grauntts or Voufaunces in *Dr. Legbe's* tyme, this Deponente was not prevye unto, and yet he putt his name to dyverse after they were so sealede and maid by Mr. *Legbe* (that is to saye) the Lease of *Sherborn House* maid to *Christofer Carr* and his Wife for the terme of *xxi* yeres, reservinge a *C £.* yerelye Rente to be paid to the Maister, Chapleyns, Bretheren, Susters, and the mayntenaunce of their House. To *James Bardjaye* one Annuitie of *iiij l.* by Yere. To *William Laytus* one Annuitie of *iiij l.* by Yere. *George Carr* one Annuitie of *liii s. iiii d.* by Yere. The Voufaunce of *Kellowe* to *Sir Rycharde Legbe*. The Voufaunce of *Bishopton* to *Sir Robert Rychardeyson*, and the forenamed Lease maid to *Thomas Gargrave* and *Thomas Legbe*, and also their own Annuities maid to this Deponente and his Fellowes the Chapleyns of the Hospital of *Sherborne*, and these are all that he can call to remembraunce that this Deponente subscribed unto in *Dr. Legbe's* tyme; and in *Mr. Bellysses* tyme

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tyme who was lait Maister of *Sherborne* and succeeded *Dr. Leghe* there, were these manye Leases maid by *Dr. Bellysses*, wherein he required the consents and assents of the Bretheren and Susters of *Sherborne* byfore they were sealed (viz.) a Lease of the Tiethe Corn of *Bishopton* and of the Parishe of *Sockborn* and *Dyndislaill* maid to *Sir George Conyers* Knight. A Lease of the Tiethe Corn of *Wharrington* maid to *Jerard Salwayn* the Younger. A Lease of certayn Laundes in *Gatested* maid to *Christofer Carr* and his Wife, and he received the Annuities of the Chapleyns, and all these *Dr. Bellysses* required the assents of the Bretheren and Susters byfore the sealinge accordinge to the Corporation; and after the deathe of *Dr. Bellysses*, *Christofer Athe* Servaunte to *Dr. Bellysses*, brought to your Deponente and Fellowes two Annuities either of them XL s. by Yere, the one maid to *George Gall*, and th'oder to *Rychard Herison* bothe *Dr. Bellysses's* Men, the same beinge sealed, the said *Christofer Athe* required in his Maister's name that they wold subscribe them, and so they dyd, trustinge he had been lyvinge, and immediately the saide *Christofer Athe* opened and declared to them, that their Maister *Dr. Bellysses* was dyed.

To the *tenth* he aunswerithe, that in all *Mr. Thomas Leghe* tyme lait Maister there, he never requirede the assente of the Bretheren or Susters of the saide Hospital for anye Leases, Graunts, Anuities, or Voufaunces, that were maid in his tyme.

To the *eleventh* he saithe, he knewe *Anthonye Bellysses* Clerke their lait Maister right well.

To the *twelfth* he aunswerithe as he haith depofed to the *ninth* Interrogatorye.

To the *thirteenth* he aunswerithe and saithe as he haith depofed likewise to the *ninth*.

To the *fourteenth* he saithe, that *Dr. Bellysses* required the consents and  
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assents of the Bretheren and Sufters of their Hospital of *Sherborne* of fuche Leases and Graunts as were maid to hym so far as this Deponente knoweth, favinge thofe two Annuities that were brought to this Deponente and his Fellowes the Chapleyns after *Dr. Bellyffes* was dyed as byfore is declared in the *ninth* Interrogatorye.

WILLIELMUS TODDE *Presbyter dicte Domus sive Hospitalis de Sherborne etatis circiter lx. annorum Testis in hujusmodi negotio productus admissus juratus et examinatus.*

To the *fyrst* he saithe, he knoweth the Hospital of *Sherborne* and *Thomas Leghe* lait the Maister there.

To the *second* he aunswerethe and saithe, that fuche a Lease was maid and sealede and sent to this Deponente and other the Presbyters of the said Hospital to set ther handes therunto, and doithe not perfetely knowe what Rent was reserved, but belevithe XL £. for certayn Yeres, and than after a more Sum, how moche he cannot surely declare, and that Lease was subscribed by this Deponente about xiiij Yeres ago.

To the *third* he aunswerethe, that he and other the Presbyters there be-inge iij in nombre, are none of the Bretheren of their Hospital, and he haithen ben a Preste in the same the space of xl. Yeres, and was admit therunto by Mr. *Jeffrey Wren* than Maister of that Hospitall of *Sherborne*.

To the *fourth* he saithe, that neither he this Deponente nor none other of the Prests of the same Hospital his Fellowes to his knoledge were required or dyd consente and assente to the makynge and sealinge of the same Lease, but after it was maid and sealed, then required to put their names to it, whiche this Deponente dyd fore agaynst his Will.

To the *fifth*, *sixth*, and *seventh*, he aunswerethe as he haithen saide unto the *fourth*.

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To the *eighth* he saith, that he knoweth there was a Lease maid and wrytten by the said *Mr. Leghe* of the Hospital of *Sherborne* to *Christofer Carr*, and a Lease of *Cassop Tithes* to *Rychard Eland*, but this Deponente was not prevye to the sealinge nor deliverye of them, but after they were so maid and sealed he was required to subscribe his name to them, and moreover there was Annuities graunted to *James Bardsaye* *iiij l.* by Yere, to *George Carr* *liij s. iiij d.* to one called *Laytus* *iiij l.* by Yere, *Mattho Hynde* *xxvj s. viii d.* by Yere, and to one *Morland* one Annuitie how moche he cannot remember, and there own Annuities graunted to this Deponente and other Presbyters of the same Hospital his Fellowes; there was also one Annuitie graunted to *Sir Roberte Rychardson* than beinge one of the Prestes of *Sherborne* for his service doyng there, and there was two Advoufaunces the one maid to *Sir Robert Rychardson* of the Vicarage of *Bishopton*, and one other to *Sir Rychard Leghe* of the Vicarage of *Kellowe*, and of all these aforaid this Deponente was not of confaill or prevye to the sealinge or deliverye, but onely to there own Annuities, beinge the Prests there.

To the *ninth* he saith as to the *eighth*.

To the *tenth* he aunswereth and saith, so far as ever he dyd knowe *Mr. Leghe* in all his tyme never called of the Bretheren or Susters of t' Hospital of *Sherborne* to give there consentts or assentts to the makynge sealinge or deliverye of anye Leases Annuities or Voufaunces maid by hym.

To the *eleventh* he saith he knewe *Mr. Anthonye Bellyffes* there lait Maister right well.

To the *twelfth* he saith, that *Mr. Anthonye Bellyffes* maid a Lease to *Sir George Conyers* Knight of the *Tithes of Corn* of *Sokborn*, *Grisbye*, *Dyttinsfall* and *Bishopton*, and a Lease to *Jarrard Salvayn* of the *Tiethe Corn* of *Kello* and *Wharrington*, and a Lease to *Christofer Carr* of certayn *Howses* in *Gatesbed*,  
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for certayn Yeres, wherein *Mr. Bellysses* required the consents of all the Bretheren and Susters of there Hospital, and they graunted to the makyinge sealinge and deliverye of them; and for as moche as the saide *Mr. Anthonye Bellysses* thought that the Annuities of this Deponente and other his Fellowes the Prests of *Sherborne* was not sufficiente, for that they lacke the consents of the Bretheren and Susters, he maid them of newe agayn with the consents of the Bretheren and Susters there: Moreover the saide *Anthonye Bellysses* maid a Voufaunce of the Vicarege of *Gryndon* to *Sir Roberte Hoocheson* his Chapleyn, wherein he had the Bretherens consentts and assentts, and here is all that he can remember was maid by *Dr. Bellysses*, savinge two Annuities, one to *Richard Heryson* of xl s. by Yere, and one other to *George Gall* of xl s. by Yere, whiche *Christofer Athe* brought to this Deponente and other the Prests his Fellowes maid and sealed, and required them to subscribe there names unto them, they belevinge that *Mr. Bellysses* was lyvinge so dyd, and imediately after they had so subscribed, then the saide *Christ. Athe* told them his Maister *Dr. Bellysses* was dyed, and so he disceved them.

To the *thirteenth* and *fourteenth* he aunswereth as he haithe deposed to the *twelfth* Interrogatorye.

CUTHBERTUS BELL *Presbyter circiter lxiij annorum etatis*  
*Testis ut supra productus, admissus, juratus, et examinatus, dicit in vim*  
*juramenti sui,*

To the *first* Interrogatorye, that he knoweth t'Hospital of *Sherborne*, for this Deponente is a Preste there, and haithe ben the space of xxii Yeres byfore *Mr. Leghe* was Maister there, and he knewe *Mr. Leghe*.

To the *second* he aunswerethe, that *Thomas Leghe* dyd make a Lease of t'Hospital of *Sherborne* to *Thomas Gargrave* and *Thomas Leghe* his Cosyn for  
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terme of Yeres, and as he supposithe for xl l. by Yere, whiche Lease was maid and sealed at *Newcastell*, and after that fend to this Deponente and other the Prests of that Hospital to set there names unto the same, whiche they dyd, and was nether prevye to the sealinge or delyverye of the same, and this was about xiiij Yeres ago.

To the *third* he saithe, he is a Preste and Chapleyn of that Hospital of *Sherborne*, but he this Deponente nor his Fellowes the Prestes there ar none of the Bretheren there; he saithe they ar iiij Prests, and this Deponente haith been Preste there the space of xxij Yeres, and was admit therunto by *Thomas Leghe* than the Maister there.

To the *fourth* he saithe, that nether he nor his Fellowes were required or maid prevye to the sealinge or deliverye of that Lease, but after it was sealed, it was sent to them to set there names to it, and so he dyd with the rest of his Fellowes, whiche they all dyd for feare of *Mr. Leghe's* Displeasour.

To the *fifth, sixth, and seventh* he aunswerethe and saithe as he haith said to the *fourth* next before.

To the *eighth* he saithe, that *Mr. Leghe* maid a Lease to *Christofer Carr* of t<sup>h</sup> Hospitall of *Sherborne*, a Lease of the Tiethe of *Cassop* to *Rychard Eland*, and diverse Annuities (viz.) one to *James Bardsey* of iiij l. by Yere, to *Tho. Laytus* one of iiij l. by Yere, one to *Mattho Hynde* of xxxvi s. viij d. by Yere, one to *George Carr* of liij s. iiij d. by Yere; the Voufaunce of *Kellowe* to *Sir Rychard Leghe*, the Voufaunce of *Bishopton* to *Sir Roberte Rychardson*, unto all whiche this Deponente nor his Fellowes the Prests the Bretheren nor the Sisters never consented nor agrede to his knowledge either to the sealinge or deliverye, and yet they subscribed there names to *Christofer Carr* Lease, *Rychard Eland* Lease, and to all the rest of the Annuities after they were so sealed: And moreover saithe, that this Deponente and his Fellowes  
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the Chapleyns had there Annuities, and *Sir Roberte Rychardson* one Annuitie for his Service doinge there and to be doon.

To the *ninth* he faithe as unto the *eighth* next byfore.

To the *tenth* he faithe, that to his knoledge there was nether Brothers nor Sufters of there Hospital required or dyd consent or assentt to the makinge sealinge or deliverye of any of the Leases, Annuities, Graunts or Advoufaunces, aforfaid.

To the *eleventh* he faithe he knewe *Mr. Anthonye Bellyffes* very well.

To the *twelfth* he aunswerethe, that *Anthonye Bellyffes* maid a Lease to *Sir George Conyers* Knight of the Tiethe Corn of *Bisbopton* and others; a Lease to *Jerard Salwayne* the Yonger of the Tiethe Corn of *Kellowe* and *Wharrington*; a Lease to *Christofer Carr* of certayn Houses in *Gatesbed*; a Voufaunce of the Vicaraige of *Gryndon* to *Sir Roberte Hoochonsen*; and this Deponente and the rest of the Prests his Fellowes to every of them one Annuitie, and in all these the said *Anthonye Bellyffes* than ther Maister required the consent of the Bretheren and Sufters, wherin they were prevye to the sealinge and deliverye; there was also two other Annuities maid to *Rychard Heryson* and *George Gall* to either of them xl s. by Yere, whiche he belevithe were both maid and sealed after *Mr. Anthonye Bellyffes* was deade, for *Christofer Athe* brought them to this Deponente and the other Prests requiringe them to subscribe the same, and they so dyd; and afterward he told them there Maister was departed.

To the *thirteenth* he faithe as he haithe said to the *twelfth* last byfore.

To the *fourteenth* he faithe, that the Bretheren and Sufters of t<sup>e</sup> Hospitall of *Sherborne* in *Dr. Bellyffes* tyme were required to gyve there consents unto all suche Leases and Graunts as were maid by the said *Dr. Bellyffes* and so they dyd.

Thomas

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THOMAS MATHEWE *Presbyter xl. annorum etatis Testis in  
præfato negotio productus admissus juratus et examinatus.*

To the *first* Interrogatorye he faithe, he doithe knowe the Hospitall of *Sherborne*, and dyd knowe *Mr. Thomas Leghe* the lait Maister of the forsaide Hospitall.

To the *second* he faithe, that he knoweth there was a Lease maid of the Hospitall of *Sherborne* to *Thomas Gargrave* and *Thomas Leghe*, whiche this Deponente about xiiij Yeres ago broughte from the saide *Thomas Leghe* the Maister of *Sherborne* unto the Prests of *Sherborne* to subscribe there names unto it; and the same was maid and sealed byfore it was delivered to this Deponente to carye, and where it was sealed he wote not; and he this Deponente was one of the Prests of *Sherborne* at that tyme as he is now, and with his Fellowes subscribed there names, and there was xl l. Rente reserved Yerely.

To the *third* he faithe, he is one of the Prests of *Sherborne*, and they are iiij in nombre, but they are none of the Bretheren of t' Hospitall, and this Deponente was first admit Preste there by *Dr. Leghe*, and after that went frome theme, and sence was admit there by Sir Knight  
lait Maister there.

To the *fourth* he faithe, he nor his Fellowes the Prestes were never required to consent or assente to the makynge sealinge or deliverye of that Lease, but after it was so maid and sealed than they were required to subscribe there names.

To the *fifth sixth* and *seventh* he faithe, he can saye no furder than he faithe saide and deposed to the *third* next byfore.

To the *eighth* he faithe, he never graunted assented or agreade nor was pryve



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pryve to the makynge sealinge and deliverye of any such Graunts Leases or Voufaunces.

To the *ninth* he faithe, he subscribed his name to one Annuitie of *iiij l.* by Yere maid to *James Bardsaye*, and one Annuitie of *xxvj s. viij d.* maid to *Mattho Hynde* as he remembrith whiche were wrytton and sealed or they came at them to be subscribed, and that nether he nor his Fellowes the Prestes were ever required to consent or agre to the same.

To the *tenth* he faithe, that he knoweth well that *Thomas Leghe* there lait Maister never required the Assente of any of the Bretheren or Susters of the said Hospital to the makynge sealinge or deliverye of any Lease Annuities Graunts or Advoufaunces whiche were maid by hym or in his tyme.

To the *eleventh* he faithe, he dyd knowe *Dr. Bellyffes* very well, for he was laitly the Maister of *Sherborne*.

To the *twelfth*, *thirteenth*, and *fourteenth* he faithe, he can saye nothings, for duringe all *Dr. Bellyffes* tyme this Deponente was no Preste at t'Hospitall of *Sherborne*.

ROBERTUS HIXON *circiter lxxiiij etatis annorum Testis ut supra productus admissus juratus et examinatus.*

To the *fyrst* Interrogatorye he faithe, he knoweth the Hospitall of *Sherborne*, and dyd knowe *Thomas Leghe* the lait Maister of that Hospitall.

To the *second* he faithe, he can saye nothings to that whiche is conteyned in that Interrogatorye.

To the *third* he faithe, he is a poore Beademan and a Brother of the Hospitall of *Sherborne*, and haithe ben the space of *xxiiij* Yeres, and they ar *viii* Bretheren and Susters and foure Prests

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To the *fourth* he saith, he was not preve to any suche Lease, nor yet required to give his consent nor assente to anye suche, nor yet none of his Bretheren so far as he knoweth.

To the *fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, and tenth*, this Deponente saith he can saye nothinge, for although he was a Brother in the Hospitall of *Sherborne* at the tyme *Dr. Leghe* was Maister of *Sherborne*, yet he this Deponente nor none of his Bretheren were preve to anye Leases, Graunts, Annuities, or Advoufaunces, maid by *Dr. Leghe*, nor were required to give his or there consents or assents to anye suche.

To the *eleventh* he saith, he dyd knowe there lait Maister *Dr. Bellysses* verye well, beinge the Maister of *Sherborne* Hospitall.

To the *twelfth* he saith, that *Anthonye Bellysses* there lait Maister maid a Lease to *Sir George Conyers* Knight of certayn Tiethes, a Lease to *Jarrard Salwayn*, a Lease to *Christofer Carr*, a Voufaunce of the Vicaraige of *Gryndon* to a Chapleyn of his, and Annuities to the *iiij* Prests of that Hospitall, and in all the same the said there lait Maister *Dr. Bellysses* required the assent not onely of this Deponente, but also of all the Bretheren and Susters of the forsaide Hospitall, wherunto they all agrede, and the said Maister said to them he wold not seale one of thois Graunts without there consents and assents.

To the *thirteenth* and *fourteenth* he saith, he can saye no furdre than he haith depofed byfore to the *twelfth* Interrogatorye.

JOHANNES LEGHE *circiter lvij annorum etatis in dicto negotio*  
*Testis productus juratus et examinatus.*

To the *fyrst* he saith, he doithe knowe there Hospitall of *Sherborne*, and *Mr. Thomas Leghe* there lait Maister who dyd admit this Deponente for a Brother and Beademan in the same.

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To the *second* he can saye nothinge.

To the *third* he saith, that he this Deponente is a Beademan and a Brother of t'Hospitall of *Sherborne* and was admit by *Dr. Leghe*, and hath ben a Brother there the space of *xiiij* Yeres, and that they are *viiij* Bretheren and Sisters and *iiij* Prests daly in the same.

To the *fourth* he saith he can saye nothinge, for he nor his Bretheren nor Sisters were at no tyme prevye or required to any suche matters as are conteyned in that Interrogatorye.

To the *fifth* he can saye nothinge.

To the *sixth* and *seventh* he can saye nothinge.

To the *eighth ninth* and *tenth* he can saye nothinge, for so longe tyme as *Mr. Thomas Leghe* was there Maister, he never maid them the Bretheren and Sisters prevye to anye Lease or other his doynges there, nor required there consents to anye suche.

To the *eleventh* he saith, he dyd knowe *Anthonye Bellysses* there lait Maister very well.

To the *twelfth* he saith, that *Mr. Anthonye Bellysses* there lait Maister of *Sherborne* maid sondrye Leases and Graunts (viz.) to *Sir George Conyers Knt.* a Lease of the Tiethe of *Sockborn Grisbye* and *Bishopton*; to *Jarrard Salwayn* a Lease of the Tiethe Corn of *Kellowe* and *Wharrington*; a Lease to *Christopher Carr* of certayn Laundes in *Gateshed*; a Voufaunce of the Vicarege of *Gryndon* to *Sir Roberte Hoochonsen*; and Annuities to the *iiij* Prestes, unto all whiche all the Bretheren and Sisters dyd consente to the sealinge at the requeste of there said Maister *Dr. Bellysses*, who sayd to them that he wold seale nothinge that belonged to there Hospitall without the consents of the Bretheren and Sisters.

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To the *thirteenth* and *fourteenth* he saith as he haith deposed and sayd to the former Interrogatories and furder cannot saye.

THOMAS BATLEYE lxxij annorum etatis Testis in dicta causa productus admissus juratus et examinatus.

To the *fyrst* Interrogatorye he saith, he knowithe the Hospitall of *Sherborne*, and dyd knowe the Maister *Thomas Leghe* some tyme the Maister of the forsaide Hospitall.

To the *second* he saith he can saye nothings, but that he hard tell of suche Leases Graunts and Annuities now of lait dayes by the reporte of other, but he this Deponente was never pryve to them, althoughe he is one of the Bretheren of that same Hospitall of *Sherborne*.

To the *third* he aunswerethe and saith, that he this Deponente is one of the Beademen and Bretheren of t' Hospitall of *Sherborne*, and there ar five Bretheren and thre Susters and foure Prests, and this Deponente haith ben a Brother there duringe all the space of xxi Yeres and more, and he was admit therunto by the forsaide *Dr. Leghe* the lait Maister there.

To the *fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh, eighth, ninth, and tenth*, he can saye nothings, for he this Deponente nor none of the other his Bretheren were never axed or required to consente to anye of the Graunts Leases or Annuities maid by there lait Maister *Dr. Leghe*, nor never assented or agreade to anye of them.

To the *eleventh* he saith he dyd very well knowe *Dr. Anthonye Bellyffes* there lait Maister of t' Hospital of *Sherborne*.

To the *twelfth thirteenth and fourteenth*, he aunswerethe saith and deposite in everye poynte as his preconteste *John Leghe* haith said and deposed byfore, and furder he doithe not knowe.

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In cujus rei testimonium Sigilla nostra una cum Signo et Subscriptione Notarii Publici antedicti præsentibus apposuvimus. Dat. apud Dunelmum vicesimo quarto die mensis Maii anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo quinquagesimo septimo et annis felicissimorum regnorum vestrorum tertio et quarto.

Et Ego *Christophorus Chaytor* Dunelmensis Dioceseos Publicus sacra auctoritate Apostolica Notarius, quia prædictarum Literarum Commissionum præsentationi et exhibitioni executionisque earundem acceptationi, necnon testium prædictorum productioni admissioni juramentorum præstitorum et examinationi ac cæteris præmissis omnibus et singulis dum sic ut premittitur sub annis, diebus, mense, et locis prædictis agerentur et fierent una cum dictis Venerabilibus Viris Magistris *Roberto Hyndmer* L. L. D. et Cancellar. Dunelm. *Roberto Meynell* Armigero Serviente ad Legem, ac *Radulpho Dalton* Armigero personaliter interfui eaque omnia et singula sic fieri vidi et audiui atque inactitavi; Ideo has Literas Certificatorias manu mea propria scriptas subscripsi signoque et nomine meis solitis et consuetis una cum appensionibus Sigillorum dictorum Venerabilium Virorum rogatus et requisitus in fidem et testimonium eorundem omnium et singulorum præmissorum.

RALPH SKYNNER Master.

**R**ALPH SKYNNER was of New College in Oxford 12 July 1536, whether he took the degree of Master of Arts, or of any other faculty in that University, is uncertain; yet when he was elected Warden of New College in the beginning of May 1551, he is said to be Master of Arts. *Woods Athenæ Vol. 1. p. 688.*

He resigned the Wardenship before 11 Sep. 1553, (for on that day was *Thomas Whyte* L. L. D. elected) and was a Member of the House of Commons in 1554.

In 1559 he was presented to the Mastership of *Sherburn Hospital*, on the deprivation of *Anthony Salvayn*, the See of Durham being then vacant, and in Queen Elizabeths hands. *Rymers Fædera Vol. 15. p. 543.*

“ *Radulphus Skynner ad Domum sive Hospitale de Shyborne præsentatus a Regina Elizabetha.* ”

He was also Rector of *Sedgefield* in the County of Durham, and on the 5 March 1560 was installed Dean of Durham in the place of *Robert Horne* promoted to the See of Winchester. *Woods Athenæ Vol. 1. p. 688. Willis Cath. Strypes Annals Vol. 1. p. 327.*

1561 June 22. He preached a Recantation Sermon at St. Pauls Cross, giving Men warning of a Note Book which he had printed, and badè every Man take heed of it, for it was he said, very Heresy. *Woods Athenæ ib.*


1562 January 21. he died, and was buried (as Willis supposes) at *Sedgefield* where he was Rector, and was succeeded in the Hospital by *Thomas Lever*.



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*The COLLATION of \* Thomas Lever B. D. to the Mastership of Sherburn Hospital by Bishop Pilkington 28th. January 1562.*

**J**ACOBUS miseratione divina Dunelmensis Episcopus, dilecto nobis in Christo *Thome Lever* in Sacra Theologia Baccalaurio, salutem, gratiam et benedictionem. Hospitale de Sherborne nostrorum Patronatus et Diocesos, per mortem naturalem Magistri *Radulphi Skynner* in sacra Theologia Baccalaurio, ultimi Magistri sive Custodis ejusdem jam vacans, et ad nostram Collationem pleno jure spectans; tibi secundum formam antiquam intuitu caritatis conferimus, teque Magistrum sive Custodem ejusdem primitus de observando, Fundationem, Ordinationem, Statuta, et laudabiles Consuetudines ipsius Hospitalis ad sancta Dei Evangelia juratum, ac de renunciatione Jurisdictionis Romani Pontificis &c. instituimus et investimus in eodem, cum suis juribus et pertinentiis universis &c: In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum nostrum presentibus apponi fecimus. Dat apud London, *vicefimo octavo* die mensis *Januarii* anno Domini 1562, et nostrae Consecrationis anno secundo.

J. DUNELM 

\* Thomas Lever B. D. flourished under King Edw. 5, and was collated to Sherburn Hospital 28 January 1562, and to the 8th. Prebend in Durham Cathedral 21 Feb. following; was Master of St. John's College in Cambridge 1563. He was an eloquent Preacher, and a sincere Professor of true Religion, and an Exile for it at Geneva under Queen Mary. He was highly valued for his Learning and Piety, and when he return'd home upon Queen Elizabeths accession to the Crown, he returned not to the Mastership of the College, nor to any higher preferment in the church, than to that of Master of the Hospital. — *Strype's Annals of the Reformation Vol. 2. p. 513.*

Mr.

## THOMAS LEVER Master.

*Mr. Strype* in the life of Archbishop *Parker* p. 275 says, that some years before the passing the Hospital Act in 1569; *Mr. Lever* then Master of Sherburn House, tho' a good Man were Governor of it, yet in regard of Religion, there were great disorders, and little obedience in it; its Members, he supposes were favourers of the old Superstition, and too negligent of the Worship of God, according to the Prescription of the reformed Religion, and not being able to remedy these things himself, he had sought for redress of them from the Bishop of Durham, who was then *Dr. Pilkington*; but whether out of fear of the party, who were very strong in these Northern parts, and in this Year made a great Rebellion; or out of some prejudice to *Lever* himself, he did but coldly proceed to do any thing for correcting and bettering these things. *Lever* was come to Town this year, and made the Archbishop a visit, when he shew'd him at large his grief for the evil ordering of the House; adding, that the Bishop considered it not, though he had complained to him, but the Archbishop thought this was not a matter to be neglected, though the Misdemeanors were so far Northerly, but the rather, he said Consultation ought to be had for Religion in those parts where it most wanted; this made him recommend the matter to the Secretary; telling him, it were a pity that the Church being so far off, should yet be out of good order.

The same Author in his life of Archbishop *Grindal* page 185, anno 1574 says, that the former Masters of this Hospital had made unreasonable Leases and Grants, by means whereof the House was like to go utterly to decay, but for remedying thereof if possible, and for the benefit of the Hospital, *Pilkington* then Bishop of Durham had made a certain Instrument for the disannulling of those Leases but it wanted the Queens Confirmation.

*Lever* the Master brought the matter before the Lord President, and here the Archbishop, as in the beginning of the Year he interposed with the Lord Treasurer



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Treasurer in behalf of the Savoy, and for the bettering the Estate of that Hospital in the South; so now he was as industrious to do service for this in the North; therefore he earnestly writ to the same Lord Treasurer, acquainting him, that the cause was heard before the Lord President and the Council, and that upon the hearing, it was thought by the learned in the Law, (as he was informed and fully perswaded to be true) that the aforesaid method was the only means to preserve that Hospital from utter ruin, which he said, were a pitiful case. *He was succeeded in the Hospital by his Brother Ralph Lever.*

*Thomas Lever died in July 1577, and was buried within the Rails of the Communion Table in the Chappel of Sherburn house, with the following Inscription on a brass Plate fixed to a black Marble Stone viz.*

COLLATIONS to Sockburn Vicarage.

*The COLLATION of Thomas Wright M. A. to the Vicarage of Sockburn by Bishop Pilkington, thro' lapse of the Master and Brethren of Sherburn Hospital not presenting in due time.*

8th. August 1570.

**J**ACOBUS Dei Providentia Dunelmensis Episcopus, *Thome Wright* A. M. salutem, gratiam, et benedictionem, Vicariam de *Sockburn* hac vice jure devolutionis ad nos spectantem, eo quod \* Magister et Confratres Domus sive Hospitalis de *Sherburn* originales Patroni ejusdem, infra tempus de jure limitatum minime præsentarunt ad ipsam; Tibi caritatis intuitu conferimus, teque Vicarium perpetuum in eadem instituimus &c. In cujus rei testimonium &c. Dat *octavo die Augusti* anno Domini 1570, et nostræ Consecrationis decimo.

Eisdem die mense et loco emanavit mandatum Domini Episcopi *Georgio Orpyn* Rectori de *Myddleton George* ad inducendum.

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*The COLLATION of Francis Trollop Clerk to the Vicarage of Sockburn by Bishop Pilkington, thro' lapse of the Master and Brethren of Sherburn Hospital not presenting in due time.*

22 d. April 1572.

**J**ACOBUS Dei gratia Dnnelmenfis Episcopus, *Francisco Trollop* Clerico salutem, gratiam, et benedictionem: Vicariam de *Sockburn* per mortem ultimi Incumbentis vacantem, et ad nostram collationem hac vice jure devolutionis spectantem, eo quod \* Magister et Confratres &c. (*ut supra*) tibi intuitu caritatis conferimus, teque Vicarium instituimus &c. In cujus rei testimonium &c. Dat *vicefimo secundo die Aprilis* anno Domini 1572, et nostræ Consecrationis anno duodecimo.

\* Thomas Lever Master.



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*The COLLATION of Ralph Lever M. A. to the Mastership of  
Sherburn Hospital by Bishop Barnes. 16th. July 1577.*

**R**ICARDUS divina Providentia Dunelmensis Episcopus, dilecto nobis in Christo Magistro *Radulpho Lever* A. M. Sacellano nostro salutem, gratiam, et benedictionem: Lez Christes Hospitall of Sherburn Houfe nighe Duresme in the Countie of Duresme, nostrorum Patronatus et Diocesis per mortem naturalem Magistri *Thomæ Lever* Sacræ Theologiæ Baccalarii, ultimi lez Almner five Custodis ejusdem jam vacantem, et ad nostram collationem pleno jure spectantem; Tibi secundum foundationem dictæ Domus five Hospitalis intuitu caritatis conferimus, teque præfatum *Radulphum Lever* lez Almner of Christes Hospitall of Sherburn Houfe nighe Duresme in the Cowntie of Duresme prædicti, primitus de legitima obedientia nobis et successoribus nostris præstanda, et de renunciatione auctoritatis et jurisdictionis cujuscunque forinsecæ potestatis et auctoritatis, necnon de fideliter observando foundationem, ordinationem et statuta, ac laudabiles consuetudines ejusdem Hospitalis, ad sancta Dei Evangelia juratum instituimus et investimus in eodem, cum suis juribus et pertinentiis universis, decernentes te vel Procuratorem tuum per quemcunque Clericum five Literatum inducendum fore in eodem, jure et dignitate ac privilegiis nostris, et Ecclesiæ nostræ Cathedralis Dunelmensis in omnibus semper salvis. In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum nostrum majus præsentibus apponi fecimus. Dat apud Manerium nostrum de *Awkland*, decimo sexto die mensis *Julii*, anno Domini 1577, et nostræ Translationis anno primo.

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*Ralph Lever* was Brother to *Thomas Lever* the last Master, in 1562 he published his assertions touching the Canon Law, the English Papists, and the Ecclesiastical Officers of the Realm, with his Petition to Queen Elizabeth for redress. *Strypes Annals of the Reformation* Vol. 1. p. 319.

He was collated to the Archdeaconry of Northumberland 21 August 1566 and resigned the same 20 October 1573. *Woods Athenæ* Vol. 1. p. 356. 671. *Willis* says, he was Rector of *Washington* and afterwards of *Stanhope* in 1575 which he resigned in 1577.

1567 Oct. 17. He was by a Mandate from Bishop *Pilkington* installed in the fifth Prebend of Durham Cathedral, and on the 16 July 1577 collated to the Masterhip of Sherburn Hospital.

He died in 1585 (soon after passing the Act of 27 Eliz. for incorporating the Hospital) having possessed the following Preferments viz. a Prebend of Durham, the Masterhip of Sherburn Hospital, Rectory of *Washington*, Rectory of *Stanhope*, and Chaplain to the Bishop of Durham.



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LETTERS of INSTITUTION for Nicholas Hilton Clerk  
to the Vicarage of Sockburn ( by Bishop Barnes ) on the Presenta-  
tion of the Master and Brethren of Sherburn Hospital.

20<sup>th</sup>. September 1579.

**R**ICARDUS Dei gratia Providentia Episcopus Dunelmensis, dilecto  
nobis in Christo *Nicholao Hilton* Clerico salutem, gratiam et benedicti-  
onem; ad Vicariam perpetuam Ecclesie Parochialis de *Sockburn* per mortem  
*Francisci Trollop* Clerici, ultimi Vicarii ejusdem, jam vacantem, ad quam per  
*Radulphum Lever* A. M. lez Almner and the poore Brethren of Christes Hof-  
pitall of Sherborn house nere to Duresme veros ejusdem Vicarie Patronos  
nobis legitime presentatus existis, te Vicarium &c. admittimus &c. In cujus  
rei testimonium &c. Dat apud Manerium nostrum de *Awkland*, vicesimo die  
*Septembris*; anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo septuagesimo nono, et  
nostrae Translationis secundo.

P R E S E N T A T I O N to Kellow Vicarage.

*The PROTEST and Refusal of Bishop Barnes to institute George Swalwell to the Vicarage of Kellow, on the Presentation of the Master and Brethren of Sherburn Hospital.*

26th. July 1580.

**M** E M O R A N D U M; quod *viceſimo ſexto* die menſis *Julii* anno Dom. 1580, inter horas nonam et undecimam ante meridiem ejusdem diei, in Camera juxta portas majores in Manerio de *Awkland*, comparuit perſonaliter coram Reverendo in Chriſto Patre et Domino Domino *Richardo* divina Providentia Dunelmenni Epifcopo, et exhibuit eidem Reverendo Patri, quandam prætenſam Præſentationem de et ſuper Vicaria de *Kelloe*, per *Radulphum Lever* Magiſtrum ſive Cuſtodem Domus ſive Hoſpitalis de *Sheerburn Houſe*, et lez poore Brethren ejusdem Domus conſectam, et humiliter petiit quatenus idem Reverendus Pater admitteret hujusmodi Præſentationem, et ipſum \**Georgium Swalwell* præſentatum ad eandem Vicariam de *Kelloe* inſtitueret et inveſtiret ad dictam Vicariam, ad tunc per liberam reſignationem Venerabilis Viri Magiſtri *Willielmi Bennett* ultimi Vicarii ibidem vacantem, ut aſſeruit; quam quidem Præſentationem dictus Reverendus Pater penitus et omnino reſuſavit admittere; propterea quod ipſe Dominus Epifcopus Dunelmenniſis verus Patronus ejusdem Vicariæ de *Kelloe* alias contuliſſet eandem Vicariam de *Kelloe*, et canonice inveſtiviffet quendam *Rogerum Willſon* Clericum Sacræ Theologiæ Baccalaureum in et de eadem, cum omnibus et ſingulis juribus et pertinentiis univerſis, et ſic dictus Reverendus Pater pronuntiavit eandem Præſentationem ſic ut præmittitur factam, omnino nullam, vacuum, irritam, illegitimam, et de jure nullatenus admittendam, in præſentia mei *Thomæ Chaytor* Notarii Publici Actuarii &c. præſentibus etiam tunc et ibidem *Henrico Lindley* Generoſo, *Thoma Claxton* et *Rogero Walker*, cum multis aliis.

*George*



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\* *George Swalwell* was ordained a Deacon by Bishop Barnes 6 Oct. 1577, he was Reader or Curate of *Houghton le Spring*; afterwards being reconciled to the Roman Catholick Church, was apprehended, and kept above a Year Prisoner in Durham Gaol, at last being brought to his trial, was arraigned together with two Missionary Priests, *John Boast* and *John Ingram*: *Boast* observing *Swalwell* to be somewhat intimidated during his trial, and that his answers insinuated something of conforming, clapp'd him on the back, saying, *George, take courage, my Soul for thine, all will be well, take courage*: Upon this *Swalwell* recovered himself from the consternation he lay under, and went through the remainder of his trial with great resolution; the Jury brought him in *guilty of death*, for being profelyted to the Church of Rome. He was attended to the place of execution by four Ministers of the Church of England, whose assistance he refused with a great deal of good manners; he kneel'd down at the foot of the Ladder, and made a publick confession of the Roman Catholick faith. He suffered at *Darlington* 26 July 1594, and his body was thrown into a hole near the Gallows. *Ingram* suffer'd at *Newcastle*, and *Boast* at *Durham* 24 July 1594. - *Church History of England from 1500 to 1688 Vol. 2. printed at Bruffels 1739.*

GRANT of next Presentation to Mastership.

GRANT by Bishop Barnes to John Goldsmithe and Henry Goldsmithe of the next Presentation to the Mastership of Sherburn Hospital for Valentine Dale. 20th. April 1582.


OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos præsens scriptum pervenerit, *Richardus* Divina Providentia Dunelmensis Episcopus verus et indubitatus Patronus Beneficii Præbendæ sive Hospitalis de Sherburn vulgariter vocati Sherburn Houfe Dunelmensis Dioceſeos salutem. Sciatis nos præfatum Episcopum ex certis justis causis et considerationibus nos in hac parte moventibus dedisse et confirmasse ac per præsens scriptum nostrum pro nobis et successoribus nostris dare concedere et confirmare dilecto nobis in Christo *Johanni Goldsmithe et Henrico Goldsmithe* Generosis hæredibus executoribus et assignatis suis, primam et proximam Advocationem, Præsentationem, Donationem, et liberam Dispositionem, dicti Beneficii Præbendæ sive Hospitalis de Sherburne vulgariter nuncupati Sherburne Houfe cum suis juribus membris et pertinentiis universis, pro prima et proxima et unica vice tantum, ita quod bene liceat et licebit dictis *Johanni et Henrico* conjunctim, et eorum alteri per se divisim hæredibus et assignatis suis ad prædictum Beneficium Præbendam sive Hospitale de Shereburne vulgariter nuncupatum Shereburne Houfe, quodcumque quomodocumq; et qualitercumq; per mortem resignationem privationem cessionem forisfacturam dimissionem conservationem seu aliquo alio modo primo et proximo vacare contigerit, prædilectum nostrum *Valentinum Dale* Legum Doctorem nobis et successoribus nostris vel alii potestatem in ea parte habenti præsentare et nominare, ceteraque omnia et singula quæ ad Patroni munus seu officium spectant et pertinent perficere pro hujusmodi prima proximaque vacatione tantum, adeo plene et integre sicuti nos et successores nostri in ea parte faceremus si hoc præsens scriptum nostrum factum non fuisset. In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum nostrum præ-

senti



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senti scripto nostro apposuimus. Dat *vicefimo* die *Aprilis* anno regni serenissimæ in Christo Principis et Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Dei gratia Angliæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ Reginæ fidei defensoris &c. *vicefimo* quarto.

RI. DUNELM 

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### BREVE de CERTIORARI *Actus privati Parlamenti pro* Sherburn Hospital.

**E**LIZABETH dei gratia Angliæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ Regina Fidei Defensoris &c. dilecto nobis *Anthony Mason* Ar. Clerico Parliamentor. nostrorum salutem; Volentes certis de causis Certiorari super tenore cuiusdam Actus Parlamenti, in Parlamento nostro inchoato et tent. apud *Westm.* *vicefimo* *tertia* die *Novembris* ultimo preterito edit. tangen. et concernen. fundationem Hospitalis Christi in *Sheerbourne* in Epif. Dunelm. in Com. nostro Dunelm. prout in Actu continetur; Tibi præcipimus, quod tenorem Actus prædicti cum omnibus actum illud tangen. nobis in Cancellar. nostram sub sigillo tuo distincte at aperte sine dilatione mittas et hoc Breve. Teste meipssa apud *Westm.* *decimo octavo* die *Junii* anno regni nostri *vicefimo septimo*.

SH. GERRARD

*Executio istius Breve patet in quadam Scheda huic Brevi annexat.*

AN. MASON -

PRIVATE ACT *tempore Regine Elizabethæ No. 16. 45. Anno 27.*

In Parlamento inchoat. tent. apud *Westm.* *vicefimo* *tertia* die *Novembris* anno regni serenissimæ atque excellentissimæ Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Dei gra. Angliæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ Regiæ Fidei Defensoris &c. *vicefimo septimo*, et ibidem continuat. usque ad et in *vicefimum nonum* diem *Martii* tunc proxime sequen. Comuni Dominor. tam Spiritual. quam Temporal. ac Communitatis consensu, et Regiæ Majestatis tunc præsent. assensu (inter alia) factum inactitatum ordinatum et stabilitum fuit sequen. hoc Statutum ad verbum ut sequitur, scilicet,

AN ACT

# AN ACT

for the  
*Incorporation of the Hospital of Christ in the Town of SHERBORNE*  
*in the Bishoprick of Durham.*

27. Eliz. cap. 15. 1585.

**F**OR avoiding all Ambiguities, Doubts and Questions, about the name or names of Incorporation, or other matter whatsoever, against the Hospital of Sherborne in the County Palatine of Durham; Be it ordained and enacted by the authority of this present Parliament, that the only name of Incorporation thereof now and from henceforth for ever shall be; *The Master and Brethren of Christs Hospital in Sherborne near Durham in the County of Durham*, and that *Ralph Leaver* Clerk now Master or Almoner of the said House or Hospital, is and shall be the present Master of the said Hospital, & that *John Stephenson, Thomas Layton, James Bartlet, Cutbbert Bell, James Friend, William Scurfield, James Barnes, George Swaddle, \* Randal White, Christopher Hill, Thomas Smith, Richard Hobson, Thomas Rooter, Ralph Suddick, Martin Garter, James Bell, John Marshall, William Bell, Henry Gillily, Giles Boardman, John Spurrier, Robert Hodgson, George Blaikston, Thomas Bell, Giles Widow, William Claxton, Thomas Bainsfill, Richard Leaver, Abraham Hobkins & Leonard Wheldon*, now there resident, be and shall be the present Brethren of the said Hospital, and that they and their Successors, by the name of *The Master and Brethren of Christs Hospital in Sherborne near Durham in the County of Durham*, shall have Succession perpetually, and plead and be impleaded by that name, and by that name shall hold and for ever enjoy, not only all those Lands, Tenements and Liberties, and other Hereditaments whatsoever, which by any name or names whatsoever have been heretofore, to and for the said Hospital given or limitted, which they do now hold or possess, as to the said Hospital belonging; but also all other Lands, Tenements, or Hereditaments; which shall hereafter be lawfully given or granted to them, (being holden in Free-Burgage or Soccage, and not by Knights Service or in Capite) and  
that

\* Thornley Brother



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that the said Tenements, Liberties and Hereditaments, which have been heretofore, to or for the said Hospital given or limited, or which they do now hold or possess, as to the said Hospital belonging; shall be holden of the Queen our Sovereign Lady her Heirs and Successors in Frankalmoigne; and and that the said Master and Brethren and their Successors for ever, shall have a *Common Seal*, and that all Leases, Bargains, Grants and other Conveyances, hereafter to be made or granted by the said Master or Almoner and Brethren, of, in, or out of any Lands, Tenements or Hereditaments belonging, or which shall belong to the said Hospital, other than for the Term of *One and Twenty Years* or *Three Lives*, from the time that any such Lease or Grant shall be made or granted, and whereupon the accustomed Yearly Rent or more shall not be reserved and payable, during every such Term, shall be void and of none effect to all intents, constructions and purposes.

AND be it also further enacted by the authority aforesaid, that the *Bishop of Durham* for the time being, shall have the Nomination, Collation, Admission and Institution of the Master of the said Hospital ( as often as it shall hereafter become void ) the Person that shall be so nominated, collated, admitted and instituted Master, being a Preacher, having no Cure or Charge of Souls elsewhere.

AND concerning all the Brethren in number *Thirty*, from time to time as often as any of their places shall become void ( except the place of the said *Randal White* now one of the Brethren ) the Master of the Hospital to have the Nomination, Collation, Admission and Institution of the said Brethren, in number *Thirty*, except before excepted.

AND be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid; that from time to time, as often as the said Brothers place of the said *Randal White*, or such others as shall succeed him therein shall become void; that ——— *Trollop* and his Heirs, shall have the nomination, collation, admission and institution of another Brother to the said place; every of which Master and Brethren, shall from their admission and institution as aforesaid, continue in the same during their Lives, and to enjoy such Houses, Land, Pensions, Portions, Livings

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Livings, Dividends and other Profits, as heretofore they have used to take or enjoy, unless such Cause of Deprivation, Deposing, or Expulsion, shall be as the *Bishop of Durham* for the time being shall (upon examination thereof) in writing under his Hand and Seal admit and allow to be a sufficient cause of deprivation, deposing, or expulsion of any of the said Master or Brethren.

AND that the Master of the said Hospital for the time being, shall for the further and better maintenance of the Brethren of the said Hospital, pay Yearly to every of the Brethren of the said Hospital *Ten Shillings*, over and besides their Pensions, Portions, Livings, and Dividends, heretofore accustomed, so long as he or they shall continue and be a Brother or Brethren of the said Hospital.

AND moreover, that for the good Order and Government of the said Master and Brethren of the said Hospital and Possessions, such Ordinances and Rules (not being repugnant to the Laws of this Realm now in force) as shall be from time to time made and set down by the *Bishop of Durham* under his Hand and Seal in writing, shall be by the said Master and Brethren observed and kept.

AND for performing thereof, the said Master and Brethren now being, shall take their Corporal Oaths; and every Master and Brother hereafter to be admitted into the said Hospital, shall take the said Oath before his Admission or Institution before the *Bishop of Durham* for the time being.

SAVING to all and every Person & Persons, Bodies Politic & Corporate their Heirs and Successors, and the Heirs and Successors of them and every of them, other than the Queens Majesty her Heirs and Successors, and other then such Person and Persons as claim any Estate, Interest or Title of, in, or to the Premises, or any part thereof, by or from the Queens Majesty and other then such as be or pretend to be Donors of any of the aforesaid Lands Tenements or Hereditaments, all such Right, Title, Claim, Grants, Interest, Possessions, Rent Services, Rent Charge, Rent-seck, Annuities, Offices, Fees, Pensions, and other Profits, which they or any of them have, claim, ought, may or might have had, in or to the said Premises, or any part or parcell thereof



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thereof, in such like manner form and condition to all intents constructions and purposes, as if this Act had never been had or made.

PROVIDED always, and be it enacted by the Authority aforesaid; that all Leases hereafter to be made, of any of the Demefne Lands of the said Hospital ( which at this present are not in Lease or demised for Years, Life or Lives ) shall be utterly void and of none effect to all intents and purposes.

PROVIDED also, and be it enacted; that if any Person which shall hereafter be Master of the said Hospital, do or shall during the time that he is or shall be Master thereof, accept or take any Benefice or Living Ecclesiastical; that then and immediately from and after such acception or taking of any such Benefice or Living; every such Master shall cease to be Master of the said Hospital, and the said Hospital shall be void to all intents and purposes, as if the said Master were dead, any Dispensation, Licence, Tolleration, Qualification or Faculty whatsoever to the contrary notwithstanding.



VALENTINE DALE *Master.*

**E**GO *Anthoenius Masen* Clericus Parliamentorum virtute Brevis supra-  
dict. Dominæ Reginae nostræ de certiorand. mihi direct. atque hiis  
annexat. Certifico superius hoc scriptum verum esse tenorem Actus Parlia-  
menti supradict. in eodem Brevi express. In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum  
nomenque meum apposui atque subscripsi, Dat 19 die *Junii* anno regni su-  
pradict. Dominæ nostræ Elizabethæ Dei gratia Angliæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ  
Fidei Defensoris &c. vicesimo septimo.

ANTH. MASON

၎င်းတို့သည် နေရာတိုင်း၌ အလုပ်အကိုင် ရှိနေကြောင်း ဖော်ပြရန် အသုံးပြုနိုင်ပါသည်။

*The PRESENTATION of Valentine Dale L. L. D. to the  
Mastership of Sherburn Hospital, by John Goldsmith.*


22d. March 1584.

**R**EVERENDO in Christo Patri *Richardo* Providentia divina Dunelmensi Epif. vestro Vicario in Spiritualibus Generali, aut alii cuicunq; in hac parte admittendi potestatem habenti, *Johannes Goldsmithe* Generosus salutem et debitam reverentiam: Ad beneficium Præbendam sive Hospitale de *Sherborn* vulgariter vocatum *Sherborne Howse* Dunelmensis Diocesis, per mortem *Radulphi Lever* jam vacans, ad meam Præsentationem ratione advocacy mihi per dictum Reverendum Patrem concessæ spectans et perti- nens; Venerabilem Virum *Valentinum Dale* Clericum, Legum Doctorem, vestræ paternitati præsentò, rogans quatenus eundem *Valentinum Dale* ad dictum beneficium Præbendam sive Hospitale admittere, instituere, atque inducere, seu admitti, institui, et induci facere, cum suis juribus et pertinen- tiis universis, cæteraque peragere quæ vestro incumbunt officio Pastoralis dig- nemini



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nemini cum favore. In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum meum apposui; Dat  
*vicefimo secundo die Martii anno Domini secundum computationem Anglica-*  
*nam Millefimo quingentesimo octogesimo quarto, annoque regni Dominae nostrae*  
*Elizabethae Reginae vicefimo septimo.*

JOHN GOLDSMITHE 

*Valentine Dale* was of *All Souls College Oxford*, admitted Batchelor of  
 Laws 1545, and Doctor of the Civil Law 1552, he was afterwards Master of  
 the Requests and Dean of *Wells* 1574. *Woods Athenae Vol. 1. p. 669.*


In 1573 he went Ambassador to France, upon calling home of Sir *Francis*  
*Walsingham* to be Secretary of State, and sends an account of the state of  
 Affairs there. See his Letters in *Strypes History of the Reformation Vol. 2. p. 244.*  
*and Appendix p. 52. No. 27.*

1577 He was appointed by Q. Eliz. a Commissioner with others to treat  
 with the K. of Portugal to try Pirates, and enquire into Dilapidations of  
 the late *Bishop of Norwich*. *Rymers Fœdera Vol. 15. p. 779. 781.*

1584 March 22. Presented to the Masterhip of *Sherburn Hospital* as above.

1588 Sent Ambassador to the *Prince of Parma*, Viceroy of the Low Coun-  
 tries for the King of Spain, to expostulate with him about a Book written  
 by *Cardinal Allyn*, wherein he exhorted the Nobility and People of England  
 and Ireland to join the Spanish forces under the Prince to invade England;  
 but the Prince pretended he knew nothing of such a Book, and sent Mr.  
*Dale* away unsatisfied. *Camdens Annals of Queen Elizabeth* 1588.

1589 Nov. 17. He died in his house near St. Pauls Cathedral London,  
 and was buried in the Parish Church of St. Gregory, leaving a Daughter  
 named *Dorothy*, who being Coheir to her Father was married to *Sir John*  
*North* Son and Heir to *Roger Lord North*. *Woods Athenae Vol. 1. p. 707.*  
*Dugdales Baronage Vol. 2. p. 394. Collins Peerage Vol. 4. p. 63.*

 He was succeeded in *Sherburn Hospital* by Dr. Robert Bellamy.

## DISPENSATION for Valentine Dale.

DISPENSATION of *Absence* for Valentine Dale, and to be admitted by Proxy into the *Mastership* of *Sherburn Hospital*, and to hold and execute the same by Deputy ( he being a Layman in the *Queens service* ) notwithstanding the *Act* of Parliament of the 27. of her reign, requiring the Master thereof to be a Preacher, having no Cure or charge of Souls elsewhere. 17th. April 1585.

ELIZABETH Dei gratia Angliæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ Regina Fidei Defensor &c. Dilecto subdito et fervienti nostro *Valentino Dale* nobis a supplicibus libellis Magistro salutem. Intelleximus ex gravi querela tua, quod cum Hospitale Christi de Sherburne prope Duresme per mortem *Radulphi Lever* nuper Magistri ejusdem Hospitalis legitime vacaret, tuque ex concessione Reverendi Patris *Richardi Dunelmensis* Episcopi ad officium Magistri dicti Hospitalis jus esses adeptus, ac ad illud durante ultima Sessione Parliamenti nostri tenti apud Westmonasterium vigore dictæ concessionis dicti Reverendi Patris esses præsentatus, ex quodam tamen Actu seu Statuto in dicto Parlamento nostro nuper edito, intitulato, *An Act for the Incorporation of the Hospital of Christ in the Town of Shereburne in the Busshoppricke of Duresme*, grave præjudicium tibi illatum est; quia neque in sacris ordinibus constitutus, neque Prædicator existis, et ad assiduum obsequium personale in servicio nostro ratione officii tui teneris ut ad ea præstanda, quæ tibi ex dicto Actu Parliamenti incumbunt vacare non possis; Idcirco nos præmissa considerantes, ac meritis tuis permoti, munificentiam nostram regiam tibi in hac parte præstare volentes, de gratia nostra speciali, ac ex certa scientia et mero motu nostris, et ex auctoritate nostra suprema qua fungimur, et ex plenitudine potestatis nostræ tibi præfato *Valentino Dale* concedimus, ac te cum tenore præsentium gratiose dispensamus, quatenus tibi officium Magistri dicti Hospitalis ac Hospitale prædictum cum suis juribus et pertinentiis  
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universis liceat adipisci, et ut possis ad id institui et admitti curare, ac illud durante vita tua naturali valeas retinere defectu prædicto, et dicto Statuto sive Actu Parlamenti, aut aliqua clausula sive re in eodem contenta, aut aliquo Statuto ordine sive regula locali dicti Hospitalis ante hæc edito, seu per dictum Dunelmensem Episcopum sive successores suos imposterum edendo in aliquo non obstante. Quibus omnibus quantum pertinet ad personam tuam et quoad effectum præsentium per præsentem derogamus, sic mandamus etiam dicto *Richardo* Dunelmensi Episcopo et ejus Officiali seu Vicario Generali cuicumque, et omnibus in hac parte auctoritatem habentibus ut te prædictum *Valentinum Dale* vel Procuratorem tuum ad officium Magistri dicti Hospitalis ac ad Hospitale prædictum cum suis juribus, membris, et pertinentiis universis instituere et admittere, ac te in eodem induci facere current cum effectu; Proviso semper quod tu *Valentine Dale*, durante vita tua naturali, ea omnia et singula quæ per Statutum prædictum seu per leges regni nostri Angliæ, vel per Statuta sive Ordines Hospitalis prædicti, per Magistrum ejusdem Hospitalis perimpleri et exequi debeant, tam in prædicando quam aliis causis et rebus quibuscumque per deputatum tuum sufficientem existentem prædicatorem verbi divini de tempore in tempus debite peragi præstari et suppleri facias cum effectu, In cujus rei testimonium has literas nostras fieri fecimus Patentes, Teste meipso apud *Grenwick* decimo septimo die *Aprilis* anno regni nostri vicesimo septimo.

*Per Breve de privato Sigillo.*

COOK.

PROCURATION of Valentine Dale.

PROCURATION of Valentine Dale for John Maddocks and John Bernes his Proctors, to exhibit his Presentation and Letters of Dispensation of Absence from *Q. Elizabeth* before Bishop Barnes, and to be admitted into the Mastership of Sherburn Hospital by Proxy. 17th. April 1585.

**P**A T E A T universis per præsentēs, quod Ego *Valentinus Dale* Clericus Legum Doctor, ad Hospitale Christi in Shereborne prope Durham, in Comitatu Dunelmensi jam legitime vacans præsentatus, dilectos mihi in Christo *Johannem Maddocks* et *Johannem Bernes* Clericum, meos veros legitimos et indubitatos Procuratores, actores, factores, negotiorumque meorum gestores, et nuntios speciales, conjunctim et divisim ad infra scripta nomino, ordino, facio, et constituo, doque, et tenore præsentium concedo, eisdem Procuratoribus meis conjunctim ut præfertur, et eorum cuilibet per se divisim, potestatem generalem et mandatum speciale pro me et nomine nostro coram Reverendo in Christo Patre et Domino Domino *Richardo* permissione divina Dunelmensi Episcopo, ejusque Vicario in Spiritualibus generali seu Commissario quocunque comparendi meque a personali comparitione in hac parte excusandi, ac causam et causas absentiae meae hujusmodi allegandi, proponendi, et si opus fuerit probandi fidem desuper faciendi, nec non literas præsentatorias de persona mea ad dictum Hospitale factas, ac literas dispensationis, necnon mandatum Dominae meae Reginae mihi concessum realiter præsentandi et exhibendi, et me earum vigore ad dictum Hospitale admitti petendi, et dictos Procuratores meos eorumve aliquem meo nomine in eodem legitime institui, una cum suis juribus et pertinentiis universis, atque in realem actualem et corporalem possessionem tam ejusdem quam jurium et pertinentiarum suorum hujusmodi induci, petendi, procurandi, et obtinendi,  
canonicam



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canonicam obedientiam ac juramentum tam in Actu Parliamento hujus incliti regni Angliæ anno regni serenissimæ in Christo Principis et Dominae nostræ Elizabethæ Dei gratia Angliæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ Reginae fidei defensoris &c. primo apud Westmonasterium tenti, quam etiam in Parlamento tento apud Westmonasterium anno regni Dominae Dominae nostræ Reginae vicesimo septimo respective descripta, necnon quodcunque aliud juramentum licitum et honestum, seu de jure in hac parte requisitum in animam meam præstandi, subeundi, et jurandi, atque insuper articulis susceptæ religionis in hoc regno Angliæ factis et stabulitis, pro me et nomine meo subscribendis, atque consensum et assensum meum eisdem præbendi et declarandi, et generaliter omnia et singula alia quæ in aut circa præmissa, vel eorum aliquod necessaria sint vel fuerint, seu quomodo libet oportuna, etiamsi mandatum de se magis exigant speciale quam superius est expressum, pro me et nomine meo in præmissis et circa eadem faciendi, exercendi, procurandi, et obtinendi, promittoque me ratum gratum et firmam habentem, ac perpetuo habiturum, totam et quicquid dicti Procuratores mei, vel eorum aliquis fecerint aut fecerit seu procuraverint in præmissis, vel aliquo Præmissorum, sub Ypotheca et Obligatione omnium bonorum meorum et in ea parte cautionem expono per præsentis. In cujus rei testimonium, Sigillum Venerabilis Viri Officialis Domini Archidiaconi Surri præsentibus apposui. Dat. decimo septimo die mensis Aprilis, anno Domini Millesimo Quingentesimo Octogesimo quinto.

INSTITUTION of *Valentine Dale* Master.

INSTITUTION and DECREE of Letters Mandatory by Bishop Barnes, to induct *Valentine Dale* by Proxy into the Mastership of *Sherburn Hospital*. 22d. April 1585.

**D**I E Jovis, videlicet, *viceſimo ſecundo die menſis Aprilis*, anno Domini *milleſimo quingentefimo octogefimo quinto*, in Conclavi quodam infra *Mannerium* be *Buſſhop Awkland* vulgariter nuncupato le *Bedd Chamber* notorie ſito et ſituato, coram Reverendo in Chriſto Patre et Domino Domino *Ricardo* divina Providentia *Dunelmenni* Epifcopo, in præſentia mei *Thomæ Chaitor* Notarii Publici *Actuarii* et *Regiſtrarii* dicti Reverendi Patris, inter horas duodecimam et ſecundam pomeridianas ejuſdem diei, comparuerunt perſonaliter Magiſter *Johannes Bernefſe* Clericus et *Johannes Maddocks* Generoſus, et exhibuerunt Procuratorium ſuum in ſcriptis, pro Venerabili Viro Magiſtro *Valentino Dale* Legum Doctore, et fecerunt ſe partem pro eodem, et tunc ibidem exhibuerunt ac præſentaverunt eidem Reverendo Patri literas quasdam præſentatorias de perſona dicti *Valentini Dale* ad Hoſpitale Chriſti in *Sherburne* prope *Dunelmum* in Comitatu *Dunelmenni*, per mortem *Radulphi Lever* Clerici, ultimi Magiſtri ſive lez *Almner* ejuſdem vacans, per diſcretum Virum *Johannem Goldſmithe* Generoſum, verum dicti Hoſpitalis pro hac vice Patronum, virtute cujuſdam advocacionis inde per dictum Reverendum Patrem ei conceſſæ, et adtunc exhibitæ factæ, quas petierunt admitti, et ipſum *Valentinum Dale* ſecundum tenorem et effectum earundem, ad dictum Hoſpitale admitti Magiſtrumque ejuſdem inſtitui et inveſtiri: Et inſuper exhibuerunt eidem Reverendo Patri, literas quasdam Diſpenſationis Dominae noſtræ Reginae, in gratiam et favorem dicti *Valentini Dale* in hac parte factas, gerentes datam *decimo ſeptimo die menſis Aprilis* anno regni Domini æ Dominae noſtræ *Elizabethæ Reginae* *viceſimo ſeptimo* Sigillo magno *Angliæ* figillatas, et petierunt hujusmodi literas publice legi et copias aſſumi,

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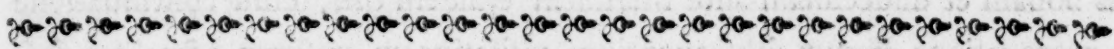


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et apud Registra dimitti, ac originalia retradi; unde idem Reverendus Pater perlectis primitus publicis instrumentis et literis prædictis respective per me Notarium prelibatum Dominæ, de petitione dictorum Procuratorum admisit eadem instrumenta et literas dictumq; Venerabilem Virum Magistrum *Valentinum Dale* ad dictum Hospitale intuitu charitatis admisit, ipsumque Magistrum Hospitalis prædicti delato primitus eisdem Procuratoribus, et per ipsos in animam dicti *Valentini Dale* præstito juramento corporali, non solum de agnoscendo supremam regiam potestatem, atque de renunciando omnibus et omnimodis auctoritate et potestate forensicis juxta Statuta &c. verum etiam de obedientia sua debita et canonica dicto Reverendo Patri et successoribus suis Episcopis Dunelmensibus præstanda, deque fideliter observando fundationem, ordinationem, statuta, ac laudabiles consuetudines dicti Hospitalis, prout jus exigit; articulisque Synodalibus per eosdem Procuratores nomine dicti constituentis subscriptis &c. rite et canonice instituit et investivit &c. cum suis juribus et pertinentiis universis; juribus suis Episcopalibus et Ecclesiæ suæ Cathedralis Dunelmensis in omnibus semper salvis, curamque animarum Fratrum dicti Hospitalis, et regimen et gubernationem ejusdem in Domino commisit: Proviso semper quod dictus *Valentinus Dale* durante vita sua naturali, omnia et singula quæ per Statuta sive Actum in Parlamento apud Westmonasterium anno vicesimo septimo regni Reginae Elizabethæ edito et proviso, intitulato, *An Acte for the Incorporation of the Hospitall in the Towne of Shereburne nigh Durham in the Countie of Durham*, seu per leges hujus regni Angliæ, vel per Statuta sive Ordines Hospitalis prædicti, per Magistrum Hospitalis prædicti perimpleri fieri et exequi debeant, tam in prædicando verbum Dei quam in aliis rebus et negotiis, juxta gubernationem et bonum publicum dicti Hospitals per Deputatum suum (eodem *Valentino Dale* absente) existentem Prædicatorem verbi divini per nos et successores nostros  
pro

## Bishop Barnes CITATION for VISITATION.

pro tempore existentes approbandum peragi præstari fieri et suppleri faciat cum effectu; salvo etiam quod sequestra alias de et fructibus, redditibus &c. dicti Hospitalis *Henrico Nanton* et *Johanni Barnes* Clericis, et *Roberto Tailbois* facta in suis viribus et robore permaneat et sit donec hujusmodi sequestrum per eundem Reverendum Patrem fuerit relaxatum, præsentibus tunc et ibidem Venerabili Viro Magistro *Clemente Colmor* Legum Doctore, *Radulpho Tailbois* Armigero, *Thoma Kinge* Notario Publico, et *Hugone Barton*, et aliis testibus &c. et deinde dictus Reverendus Pater decrevit Literas Mandatoriales suas universis et singulis Clericis &c. pro inductione dicti Magistri sive Procuratoris sui &c.



*The CITATION of Bishop Barnes for visiting Sherburn Hospital  
in the time of Valentine Dale Master. 4th. June 1585.*

**R**ICHARDUS Dei Providentia Dunelmensis Episcopus; Universis et singulis Clericis et Literatis quibuscunque infra Diocæsin nostram Dunelmensem ubilibet constitutis, salutem gratiam et benedictionem: Inter cæteras sollicitudines humeris nostris ex debito suscepti regiminis incumbentes, non minima est intentio atque cura nostra ut piorum locorum dispendia nequaquam absque remedio debitæ reformationis relinquamus: Nos igitur tam de statu Hospitalis de Sherebourne Housæ nostrorum Patronatus et Diocesis quam de administratione bonorum catallorum et jurium ad idem Hospitale spectantium, ne eadem in subversione status dicti Hospitalis, in cultus divini diminutionem, et sustentationis pauperum, et aliorum charitatis operum, quæ ibidem vigere debeant subtractionem sint consumpta, aut ad alios  
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usus quam statuta dicti Hospitalis requirant conversa informari, ac Visitationis officium ( prout tenemur ) tam in personis et membris quam in rebus hujusmodi Hospitalis ( prout convenit ) exercere cupientes et volentes; Vobis conjunctim et divisim committimus, ac firmiter injungendo mandamus quatenus citetis, seu unus vestrum citet peremptorie *Valentinum Dale* Legum Doctorem Magistrum dicti Hospitalis, ac Fratres, Sorores, Capellanos, Pauperes, ac alios quoscunque ejusdem Domus sive Hospitalis Ministros, quos nos tenore præsentium sic citamus quod compareant, et eorum quilibet compareant coram nobis seu Officiali nostro, aut alio Deputato nostro quocunque in Capella infra dictum Hospitale de *Sherburne House*, die Mercurii videlicet *vicefimo quinto* die mensis *Augusti* proxime post datam præsentium, inter horas nonam et undecimam ante meridiem ejusdem diei, cum continuatione et prorogatione dierum subsequantium visitationem nostram actualiter suscepturi et subituri, ac Fundationem, Ordinationem, seu Statuta dicti Hospitalis exhibituri, ulteriusque facturi et recepturi in præmissis et ea tangentibus, quod justitia in hac parte suadebit; Inhibeatis præterea seu unus vestrum inhibeat dictos Magistrum, Fratres, Sorores, Capellanos, Pauperes, ac alios quoscunque ejusdem Hospitalis Ministros, quos nos tenore præsentium etiam inhibemus ne interim administrationem rerum temporalium dicti Hospitalis in se suscipiat, aut ipsos administrare attemptent, seu suscipiat aut attemptet eorum aliquis, de die vero receptionis præsentium, et de omni eo quod in præmissis feceritis, nos seu dictos Officialem seu Deputatum nostros dictis die horis et loco debite certificetis, seu sic certificet ille vestrum qui hoc præsens nostrum mandatum fuerit executus. Dat apud *Stockton* sub Sigillo nostro ad causas Ecclesiasticas (quo in hac parte utimur) *quarto* die mensis *Junii* Anno Domini *Millesimo quingentesimo octogesimo quinto*, et Translacionis nostræ ad Episcopatum Dunelmensem anno nono.

R. I. DUNELM. ❀

## BISHOP BARNES

**B**ISHOP BARNES was of the antient Family of the *Barons of Bernes* in *Lancashire*, he was bred at *Brazen-nose College Oxford*, in 1561 was Chancellor at *York*, and read Divinity publickly there for some Years, made *Suffragan Bishop of Nottingham* anno 1567, thence advanced to be *Bishop of Carlisle* in 1570, and on the death of *Bishop Pilkington* was translated to *Durham* 9. May 1577. by the Interest of the *Lord Treasurer Burleigh*, upon account of some good services he was to do in that capacity for *Queen Elizabeth* and Religion, according as that Lord by a Letter had suggested to be expected from him, and whereupon he wrote the following Letter to the *Lord Treasurer*. *Woods Athenæ Vol. 1. p. 607. Strype's Annals Vol. 2. p. 431. 432. 484, Appendix, 104.*

“ **M**Y most humble duty and commendation of all faithful service unto you  
 “ my dear and singular good Lord ever premised, whose I rest in the Lord  
 “ *Jesus &c.* I am to render not only by these Letters most intyre thanks to your  
 “ Honour, for your goodnes towards me, in commending me to her Highness in way  
 “ of my Preferment to *Durham*, and for interposing your credit for my service &c.  
 “ which I understand from *Mr. Warcoppe* your good Lordship hath in most amplewise  
 “ done; but also to devow myself and service unto your Honour for ever, and to assure  
 “ you, that neither I shall be found unthankful or ingrate, nor unmindful to accom-  
 “ plish your Lordships behests, and so as I trust shall tend to the advancement of Gods  
 “ glory and her Highness good service, and your Lordships good comfort, and that  
 “ within short time, if I may be well backed at the begining by her Highness  
 “ and your good Lordship, and other of the Honourable Privy Council, as I doubt  
 “ not but I shall be: My singular good Lord and Patron, I most humbly beseech  
 “ your Honour to acccount and accept of me and mine as your own, and so to use  
 “ and command the same.

“ Your Lordship was mine only Preferrer to *Carlisle*, where I have served my  
 “ seven



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“ seven years, and I trust discharged the promise I then made unto her Highness  
 “ on my behalf, which in this poor and bare Living was all that I could do; now  
 “ by your good means, being preferred to a better, if in time I be not thankfull &c.  
 “ if I discharge not my duty, and answer not your Undertakings, then deserve I  
 “ to be noted as most ingrate, and as the Poet saith, ingratum dixeris, quidvis  
 “ dixeris; and so beseeching your Lordship of continuance of your good favour tow-  
 “ ards me, I rest your own, and here cease to trouble your Lordship by Letters any  
 “ further, untill it may please God that I may come myself to do my duty to your  
 “ Lordship, which that your good Lordship would hasten, and consummate that  
 “ which you have begun for me your poor Client, I most humbly pray God bless  
 “ and encrease his heavenly graces upon your Lordship, with prosperous health  
 “ and encrease of much Honour, Amen. From the Rose Castle in Combreland the  
 “ the twenty third of March 1576.

Your good Lordships most bound and at Commandment.

R I. CARLIOLLEN

Upon Bishop Barnes first coming to Durham, he had a great contest with  
 Bishop Pilkingtons Widow for Dilapidations; being a little settled, he began to  
 plunder his See, by alienating all that he could from it, and granting long  
 Leases to Queen Elizabeth of several Manors, amongst which was *Gateshead*,  
 with all the Manors, Coal-pitts and Coal-mines in *Gateshead* and *Whickham*,  
 with the Commons, Wastes, Parks &c. These the Queen gave to the *Earl*  
 of *Leicester*, who sold his right to *Thomas Sutton* Founder of the Charter-  
 house in London, and he conveyed his Interest therein to the Mayor and  
 Burgessees of *Newcastle upon Tyne* for 12000 £. *Strype's Annals* Vol. 2. p. 432.  
*Biographia Britania* Vol. 6. p. 3851. — Bishop Barnes presided in this  
 Diocese 10 years and died 24 August 1587 Æt. 55, buried in the Choir of  
 Durham Cathedral.

ROBERT BELLAMY. *Master.*

**R**OBERT BELLAMY succeeded *Valentine Dale* in the Mastership of Sherburn Hospital, he was of St. Johns College in Oxford, admitted Doctor in Physick 23<sup>d</sup>. June 1571. Installed 13 Oct. 1573 in the third Prebend at Durham upon the resignation of *John Fox* M. A. he was also Rector of Houghton le spring about five Years, both which Rectory and Prebend he resigned upon being collated to Sherburn Hospital by *Bishop Hutton* in December 1589.

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*Bishop Hutton's Letter to the Lord Treasurer Burleigh, praying that his Lordship would be a means to satisfy the Queen concerning his presenting Dr. Bellamy to Sherburn Hospital. 30<sup>th</sup>. March 1590.*

**M**Y most humble Duty remembred &c. I am now to crave your Lordships favour more than ever in my life, for I understand by Mr. Secretary, that her Majesty is much offended with me for the bestowing of Sherborn house, the matter is this: Immediately after the decease of *Doctor Dale*, I bestowed the Hospital of Sherborn House upon a Kinsman of mine one *Mr. Robert Hutton* a Batchelor of Divinity, and one of the senior Fellows of Trinity College in Cambridge, and this year, head Lecturer in that house, but because the Living chiefly consisteth upon Husbandry, and he a meer Scholar, I was content at his suite to bestow that Hospital upon *Dr. Bellamy* an honest Man, a Preacher and a Physician, to have charge both of the Souls and Bodies of the poor impotent sick Persons of that Hospital, and *Doctor Bellamy* to give over one of his Benefices and his Prebend in Durham to *Mr. Hutton*; this was done in November and the beginning of December last, for after I did receive a Letter from Mr. Secretary, that her Majesties intention.



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intention was to qualify *Sir Henry Lee* with a Dispensation, and to bestow upon him the said House; I did answer, that I being Patron by Statute (whereunto her Majesty had given her Royal assent) with best advice had already given it as fully and effectually as I could; so the matter slept from that time untill the beginning of March, when I did receive to my great grief another Letter from Mr. Secretary, that her Highness was greatly offended with me for the bestowing of it, because I knowing her Majestys determination, had presumed to bestow it without her leave: I answer that which was most true, as I shall answer before the living God, that I had given it before Mr. Secretary's Letter signifying her Majestys pleasure did come unto my hands, and that I did it with the testimony of a good Conscience, to bring into this ignorant Country two godly Preachers by two Benefices which *Dr. Bellamy* did resign, but this week I did receive a third letter from Mr. Secretary, signifying that he had acquainted her Majesty with my answer, wherewith her Highness was nothing satisfied, but that her Majesties resolution was that I should restore *Dr. Bellamy* to to all his former Livings, and he to give over the Hospital, and that I should send up forthwith to the Court *Mr. Hutton* to compound with *Sir Henry Lee* for the Hospital, and then he to have the same, which thing if it please your good Lordship lyeth not in me to do, for I am not Patron of all *Dr. Bellamy's* Livings, and he refuseth to give over the Hospital which he doth lawfully possess, and *Mr. Hutton* was instituted and inducted into his \* Benefice and Prebend in the beginning of December last, and as I hear, hath already compounded for first fruits, yet I have sent my servant to *Mr. Hutton* at Cambridge, where he is preparing for his removing to his Benefice, now at

\* Collated 4 Dec. and instituted 13 Dec. 1589 to the Rectory of Houghton le Spring and the third Prebend in Durham Cathedral.

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at Easter, and willed him to make his present repair thither, and to answer for himself. Thus standeth the Matter; Now my humble Suite is unto your Honour, for your accustomed favour, *First*, that *Dr. Bellamy* and *Mr. Hutton* be not compelled to give over their Livings, which as I take it, they do lawfully possess; *Secondly*, that the Hospital appointed by her Majesty and the whole Parliament to a Preacher, and the relief of the poor, may not be converted to worse uses, which is like to be, if *Sir Henry Lee* be compounded withal; *Thirdly*, that her Majesty be not offended with me for doing that, which I thought I might do lawfully, and did with the Testimony of a good Conscience, I beseech your Honour, that as you and my Lord Grace of *Canterbury* were the means without my Suit, for my placing in this Country, so at my earnest humble Suit, you will be a means to defend me in my well and lawful doings, thus with humble thanks to God for restoring you to health again, and to your Honour for your great favour towards me at all times, I humbly take my leave, *Aukland* the 30. of March 1590.

Your Lordships most bounden

MATTH. DUNELM

*Bishop Hutton* was brought up in Trinity-hall Cambridge, of which he became a Fellow, afterwards Master of Pembroke-hall, and one of the Divinity Professors of that University; in 1567 he was made Dean of York, being then Rector of Boxworth in Cambridgeshire, Prebend of Ely, Westminster, and of St. Pauls in London.

1589 June 9<sup>th</sup>. he was elected Bishop of Durham, confirmed 26 July and consecrated next day; He held the See of Durham five years, and on the 24 March 1595 was translated to the Archbishoprick of York.

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This Prelate was a Man of great learning, and accounted the most able Preacher of the Age he lived in; but much dipped in worldly affairs in his younger years (says Willis) having married no less than three Wives before he got a Bishoprick. He sat in the See of York eleven years, and died at Bilbopthorpe, 16 January 1605, Aged 80 years, leaving a fine Estate to Sir Timothy Hutton, his eldest Son, who two years after his Fathers death, was High Sheriff of the County of York. The Estate at *Marfk* still continues in the Family; He was buried in the South Quire of the Cathedral at York under an antique Architectural Monument, with a Figure lying at whole length upon the Pedestal part, and three Figures kneeling below in three Arches, decorated upon the top with Coats of Arms &c. and bears the following Inscription.

*Epitaphium Matthæi Huttoni celeberrimi Archiepiscopi Eboracensis M. S.*

*Cujus expressam corporis effigiem cernis lector, si mentis quoque imaginem videre cupis, Ambrosium vel etiam Augustinum cogita; alterius quippe ingenium argutum, alterius limatum judicium hoc præfule vivente viguit. Qui in Accademia Cantabrigiensi olim sacre Theologiæ Professor publicus et literatum cotumen claruit; postea erat ad Decanatum Eboracensem, hinc ad Episcopatum Dunelmensem, illinc ad Archi præsulatum Eboracensem, providentia divina, serenissimæ Reginæ Elizabethæ auspiciis, propter admirabilem eruditionis, integritatis, et prudentiæ laudem prævectus; decurso tandem ætatis suæ annorum LXXX curriculo, corpus adæ, animam Christi gremio commendavit. Ecquid vis amplius Lector? Nosce teipsum. Obiit 16 die mensis Januarii anno Domini MDCV.*

## COMMISSION of CHARITABLE USES.

COMMISSION to enquire of Charitable Uses of all Colleges, Hospitals, Almshouses, Rooms, and other Places for Relief of Poor Aged and Impotent People within the Bishoprick of Durham.

35th. Eliz. 13 November 1593.

**E**LIZABETH by the Grace of God Queen of England France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith &c. To our dear Cousin *Henry Earl of Huntington* Lord President in the North parts, and to the Reverend Father in God the *Bishop of Durham* for the time being, and to our trusty and well beloved *Thomas Calverly* Chancellor of Durham, the *Dean of Durham* for the time being, *Sir William Hutton & John Selby* Knights, *Robert Taylboys*, *Henry Anderson*, the *Archdeacon of Durham* for the time being, the *Chancellor to the said Bishop* for the time being, *Clement Colmer* and *Thomas Burton* Doctors of Laws, *John Clopton*, *Robert Bowes Junior* and *George Frivel* Esquires Greeting.

FORASMUCH as We are credibly informed that many Colleges, Hospitals, Almshouses and other Rooms and Places within this our Realm, which have been founded and ordained, some of them by Us and our Predecessors, and some of them by diverse other Godly and well disposed Persons, for the charitable Relief of poor aged and impotent People, are of late Years greatly decayed and impoverished, and that the Possessions and Revenues thereof, and diverse other Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Leases, and Sums of Money, Goods and Chattels, which have been given, assigned and appointed, to and for other the like good and charitable Uses, are unlawfully and most uncharitably converted to the private Lucre and Gain of some few greedy and covetous Persons, contrary to the godly intent and meaning of the Founders and Givers thereof, and to the great offence of Almighty God.

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KNOW YEE, That We being moved with a most Godly Zeal, to have all such poor aged and impotent People, and especially Soldiers and Mariners, and other our good Subjects which have been or may be hurt or maymed in the Wars, for maintenance of Gods true Religion, and for the defence of Us and their native Countrys, to be godly and charitably provided for, relieved and maintained, and having a Princely care and regard to have all such Colleges, Hospitals and Almshouses and other Places, and all Lands, Tenements, Rents, Revenues, Leases, Sum and Sums of Money, Goods and Chattles whatsoever within this our Realm, as have been founded, ordained, given or appointed, to or for any such godly or charitable use or purpose, to be ordered, disposed, used and employed, according to the true intent and meaning of the Founders and Givers; and all such Enormities, Offences and Abuses as have been committed or suffered for or touching the same, to be with all convenient speed corrected and reformed: AND reposing in that behalf special trust and confidence in your Fidelities and Wisdoms, HAVE therefore chosen You to be our Commissioners, and do by these Presents assign and appoint, and give full power and authority unto You or any three or more of You, to do and execute for and concerning the Premises by search and view of Evidences, examination of Witnesses upon Oath, to be produced or called before You or any three or more of You as aforesaid by your Precepts and Commandment, Inquisition by Verdict of twelve or more lawful Men, and by any other good and lawful ways and means whatsoever, as to your Wisdoms and Discretion shall be thought meet, all Things and Matters which are contained and specified in certain Articles annexed to this our Commission, according to the effect and true meaning of the said Articles, and in such manner and form as in and by the same Articles is prescribed and appointed.

AND FURTHER our Will and Pleasure is, that whatsoever You or any three or more of You as aforesaid shall do in or concerning the Premises  
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by vertue of this Commission, the same shall be certified into our Court of Chancery, under the Hands and Seals of You or three or more of You as aforesaid without delay.

AND also by authority hereof, We Command our Sheriff of the Bishoprick of *Durham*, that at such Days and Places as You or any three or more of You as aforesaid shall appoint to him, he shall cause to come before You or any three or more of You as aforesaid, such and so many able sufficient and honest Freeholders of his Bailiwick, by whom the truth in the Premises may best be known, as You any three or more of You as aforesaid shall give him in charge to enquire of the Premises; WILLING, Charging, and Commanding, all other our Subjects of what Estate, Degree, and Condition soever they be, to whom in this case it shall appertain, to be aiding, helping, and assisting to You or any three or more of You as aforesaid, in the due execution of this our Commission in all things as appertaineth, as they and every of them shall tender our Pleasure, and will answer to the contrary at their Perils: PROVIDED nevertheless, that this our Commission or any thing therein contained, shall not in any wise extend to any Colleges, Halls, or Houses of Learning within the Universities of *Cambridge* or *Oxford*, or either of them, for any matter concerning the Order or Government of any such College, Hall or Houses there, but only to enquire what Lands, Tenements, Rents or Profits, have been given to the said Colleges, Halls or Houses, for the Maintenance or Relief of Alms People, or such Poor People, or amending of Bridges or Highways, or for Exhibition or Maintenance to Poor Scholars. IN WITNESS whereof We have caused these our Letters of Commission to be sealed with our Great Seal; WITNESS Ourself at *Kewe* the *Thirteenth* Day of *November* in the *Five and Thirtieth* Year of our Reign.

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### ARTICLES of ENQUIRY *annexed to the preceeding Commission.*

**I**MPRIMIS, To Visit all Colleges, Hospitalls, Almshouses, and other Houses and Places whatsoever, ordained or appointed for the Relief of the Poor in the Bishoprick of *Durham*, as well within Liberties as without, and to enquire, search, and find out, as well by Examination of Witnesses, as by all good and other lawful means whatsoever, where every of them standeth, and by what special names the same are commonly called or known, and of what Condition or Quality the Rulers, Masters, or Governors were appointed to be, and how many of them be of the Erection and Foundation of any of the Kings or Queens of England, and in what time, and by which of the same Kings or Queens every of them were erected or endowed, and how many of them be of the Foundation or Endowment of any of the Subjects of this Realm, and by what Persons, and in what times the same were founded or endowed, and by what Name of Foundation or Incorporation, and if there has been any Change from the first Foundation, to enquire how the same hath been changed and by what Authority.

2. ITEM, Of what Sex Order or Condition the Poor of every such College, Hospital, Almshouse or Houses, or Place where ordained or appointed to be, as Men or Women, Sick or Whole, Leprous or Wayfaring, and such others.

3. ITEM, What Lands, Tenements, Rents, Revenues, Sums of Money, Leases, Goods or Chattles, Dyet, Provision, or other Maintenance hath been ordained, given, assigned or appointed, for the Maintenance or Relief of the said Poor and every of them, or for any other good or charitable Uses, as for mending of Bridges or Highways, or Exhibitions for Scholars, or such like in every of the said Houses and Places, and unto what Yearly Value over all Charges, and who hath taken the Revenues and Profits thereof for these

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these Ten Years last past, and by what authority, right, colour or means, & how much thereof hath during the said Years been employed upon the said Poor, and in what sort, and by whose hands, either Yearly Weekly or otherwise; and in what Person or Persons doth the Estate, Property, Possession, Occupation and Use of the said Lands, Tenements, Rents, Leases, Goods and Chattles, appointed for the Poor and other Charitable Uses as aforesaid remain?

4. ITEM, In whose Gift, Admittance, or Placing, the said Poor Persons be, or ought to be, in every of the said Colleges, Hospitals, Almshouses and other Houses and Places, and by what Rules and Ordinances they be, or ought to be chosen, placed and governed, or to be removed or corrected.?

5. ITEM, What be the proper Names, Ages, Sexes, and several Behaviours of all the Poor Persons at this day kept, maintained, or relieved, in or by the said Colleges, Hospitals, or Almshouses, and other Houses and Places, and whether every of the said Poor be continually resident there, and if not, then by what Permission or Warrant they have been absent, and for what time, and what Allowance they have during their absence, and whether any of them have any Allowance in any other College, Hospital, or Almshouse provided for the Poor, and what the same Allowance is, and whether they have any Reversion of any Alms-room in any other Place.?

6. ITEM, Besides such as are in possession of any Alms-room, to enquire what Grants are made by her Majesty (where She is Patron or Founder) to any Persons to have any Room in Reversion of the present Possession?

7. ITEM, What Spiritual Visitor or Visitors have been ordained or appointed of and for the same Colleges, Hospitals, or Almshouses, and other Houses and Places, and when and how often the same have been visited within these Ten Years last past, and what Reformation or Correction hath ensued thereupon?

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8. ITEM, What Fees, Pensions, or Payments, have been Yearly given, paid or allowed, to any Officers or other Persons (other than the said Poor) out of the Possessions, Revenues, or Profits, of the said Colleges, Hospitals, Almshouses, and other Houses and Places provided for the Poor during Ten Years now last past, and to whom and for what cause or respect?

9. ITEM, What Pensions, Portions, or Sums of Money, have been assigned, limited or appointed, by the late *King Henry the Eighth*, *Edward the Sixth*, *Queen Mary*, or the *Queens Majesty* that now is, upon the Foundation or Endowment of any College or Cathedral Church, to be paid, given, or distributed in Alms or otherwise, to or for the Maintenance or Relief of any Poor Persons, or for repair of Bridges or Highways, or for Exhibitions for Scholars in either of the two Universities, or in any other Schools, by any Deans and Chapters of any Cathedral Churches, or by any other Ecclesiastical Corporations or Persons, and how, and to how many, and to whom have the same been distributed and employed for Ten Years now last past, and what special Officer or Person hath had the oversight, disposition, or charge therefrom time to time?

10. ITEM, What other Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Revenues, Pensions, Stipends, Goods, Chattles, or Sums of Money, have been given, assigned, limited, and appointed, to or for the Maintenance or Relief of any poor People, or any other Godly and Charitable Uses in every or any Hundred Town, Parish or Place within the said Bishoprick, for what times are the same to continue, what Persons or Lands are or ought to be charged or chargeable with the same, and whether hath the same been accordingly disposed and given, and by whom, if not, in whose default, by whom, and for how long time have they been with-holden or omitted, and what Person or Persons have taken the Profits of the same during these Ten Years now last past?

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11. ITEM, Who now have, or within these Ten Years last past have had the Custody or Possession of any Charters, Deeds, Evidences or Writings, concerning the Erection or Dotation of the said Colleges, Hospitals, Alms-houses and other Houses and Places for Poor, and for the Lands to the use of the Poor, or concerning any Gift or Grant whatsoever, heretofore made, to or for the Maintenance or Relief of any such Poor People within the said Bishoprick, or for the Order, good Government, or Direction of the said Poor Persons, or of the said Houses or Places, or of their Revenues and Possessions?

12. ITEM, To enquire, search, and find out, all such other Matters and Things whatsoever, as You or any Three or more of You as aforesaid shall in your Wisdoms and Discretions think requisite and convenient to be enquired and searched concerning the Premises or any part thereof.

*Collatione facta fidei concordat hæc Copia cum Original. Articulis  
Literis Regiis Commissionibus annexis.*

*Examinatur, ED. KING Notar. Public. Scrib. in Executione  
cujusdam Commissionis per Commissionarios eandem exequen. ass-  
umptum.*



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*INQUISITION taken and returned upon the preceeding Commission and Articles of Inquiry of Charitable Uses, of all Colleges, Hospitals, Almsbouses, Rooms, and other Places, for Reliefe of Poor, Aged, and Impotent People within the Bishoprick of Durham.*

36th. Eliz. 4. May 1594.

**I**NQUISITIO Indenta. capta fuit apud Dunelm. Quarto die Mensis Maii Anno Regni Serenissime Dominae nostrae Elizabethae Dei Gratia Angliae Franciae et Hiberniae Reginae Fidei Defensoris &c. Tricesimo Sexto, Coram Nobis Tobia Matthew Sacrae Theologiae Professore Decano Dunelm. Cathedralis Ecclesiae Christi et beatae Mariae Virginis, Thoma Calverley Armigero Cancellario Dunelm. Clemente Colmor Legum Doctore, Reverendi in Christo Patris Domini Matthei Divina Providentia Dunelm. Episcopi, in Spiritualibus Cancellario (viz.) Henrici Heighington Generosi, Roberti Farrow Generosi, Richardi Heighington Generosi, Edwardi Hudspeth Yeoman, Anthonii Shadforth Yeoman, Thomae Wood Yeoman, Radulphi Mason Yeoman, Johannis Dobson Yeoman, Johannis Swallow Yeoman, Thomae Peerson Yeoman, Willielmi Thompson Yeoman, et Johannis Buttery Yeoman. Quam Juratores (ut prefertur) Jurati de fideliter Inquirendo omnia et singula totamque materiam in quibusdam Articulis Commissionis praedicti. annexis contenta et specificata secundum tenor. et effect. eorundem Articulorum et sub modo et forma in eisdem descript. super Sacramenta sua dicunt et praesentant Articul. prout sequitur.

UPON the first Article they say, that they do find there are situate in the Bishoprick and County of Durham Four Hospitals, One commonly called and known by the name of SHERBURN-HOUSE, another by the name of GREATHAM HOSPITAL, another by the name of ST. EDMUNDS nigh Gateshead, and the fourth by the name of ST. JOHNS-HOSPITAL in Bernardcastle.

AND first concerning Sherburn house, they say and find, that there is an  
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Hospital called *Christs Hospital in Sherburn*, which is situate and standeth within Two Miles of Durham in the County of Durham, and is known by the special name of *Christs Hospital in Sherburn*, the Master whereof is, and always ought to be a PREACHER, and the same Hospital is of the Queen's Majesty that now is her Foundation, and was crected and endowed in the twenty seventh Year of her Majesty's Reign by Consent of Parliament, and that the name of Foundation or Incorporation thereof is, *The Master and Brethren of Christs Hospital in Sherburn near Durham in the County of Durham*, but whether there have been any former Foundations, or whether the name thereof have been changed, or how, or by what Authority it was changed, other than by Act of Parliament anno 27. Regni prædict. they cannot find.

UPON the *Second* Article they find, that the Brethren of the said Hospital of *Sherburn*, are to be chosen of one only Sex, viz. Men, not Women, but of sick or whole Lepers or Wayfaring, there is no difference or distinction mentioned in the said Foundation.

UPON the *Third* Article concerning *Sherburn-house* they find, that the Lands, Tenements, Rents, and Revenues, given for the relieving of the Poor there, amount Yearly to the Sum of 202. 4. 10. payable at certain several times in the Year, besides the Demefne Lands of *Byers-Garth* and *Garmanfway*, either of them being of the Yearly antient Rent of *Thirteen Pounds Six Shillings and Eightpence*, which two Demefnes are always kept in the Occupation of the Master, according to the Foundation thereof, for the better Maintenance of the Stock of Goods belonging to the said Hospital viz. 43. Draught Oxen, 37. Milk Kyne, 25. Young Cattle, 31. Calves, 36. Score Sheep of all sorts or thereabouts, 10. Old Swine, 10. Pigs, Mares, Staggs &c. and an Old Stoned Horse, to the number of 12. Quarters of Wheat, 20. Quarters of Bigg Malt, 20. Quarters of Haver Malt, 24 Quarters to be left in the Garners at every



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every charge of Master, amounting to the Sum of 482. 15. 6. or thereabouts, together with all other Chattles, Implements and Furniture, namely, *Tables, Forms, Stools, Nappery, Pewter, Brass, Wain Gear and Plow Gear, and also one Standing Cup of Silver, parcel gilt, for the Communion, weighing 21. Ounces,* of the Gift of *Mrs. Leaver* late Wife of *Mr. Ralph Leaver* late Master of the said Hospital, the same to remain there for ever, as by a Tripartite Inventory, whereof one part remaineth with the Right Reverend Father in God *Matthæw* now Lord *Bishop of Durham*, another with the Executors of the last Master, and the third with the now Incumbent, it doth and may appear, for safety and preservation whereof, and of all other Goods and Chattles as aforesaid, the Master that now is standeth bounden unto the said Lord *Bishop of Durham* and his Successors, in the Sum of *Eight Hundred Pounds*, to leave all the Premises whatsoever at his departing thence in as good case and condition as he received the same at his Entrance, according to the same Inventory Tripartite: But for mending of Highways or Bridges, or for Exhibition of Scholars, or any other Poor (other than of the said Hospital) there are neither Goods, Chattles, nor Sums of Money, assigned by the Foundation of the said Hospital: AND they find, that *Robert Bellamy* Clerk and Doctor of Physick now Master of the said Hospital, hath taken the Revenues and Profits thereof these four last Years, as his Predecessors *Mr. Ralph Leaver* and *Mr. Doctor Daile* had done for the other space of the ten Years now last past, and that by authority of her Majesty's Grant in the Foundation aforesaid, from the time and date thereof, which was anno *vicefimo septimo* of her Highness Reign; which Revenues and Profits have been employed these Ten Years last by the said Masters for their times being upon the poor Brethren, in Stipends, Meat and Drink, and other Allowances, in Servants Wages, in hiring of daytale Men, in Suites of Law for defence of the rights of the said Hospital, in Provision of Coals, and Iron, in Reparations, and all other manner

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manner of Charges whatsoever, either Yearly, Weekly, or otherwise, according to the meaning of the said Foundation and Act; and they find that the Estate, Property, Possession, Occupation, and Use of all the Premises, now is and remaineth in the said *Robert Bellamy* Master there, and further upon this Article concerning the said Hospital they cannot find.

UPON the *Fourth* Article they find, that the Gift, Admittance, and Placing of the poor Brethren of the said Hospital of *Sherburn*, are and ought to be in the Master there for the time being, (*save only one Place reserved by Act of Parliament to the Disposition of John Trollope of Thornley and his Heirs,*) and the same Brethren are to be chosen and placed by the said Master by vertue of the aforesaid Act and Foundation, and by him to be removed (the cause being examined and approved by the Bishop of *Durham* under his hand and Seal) and are to be governed and corrected by the Master according to such Rules and Ordinances (not being repugnant to the Laws of this Realm) as are and shall be delivered to the said Master and Brethren by the Bishop of *Durham* for the time being under his Hand and Seal.

UPON the *Fifth* Article they find, that there are maintained and relieved in and by the said Hospital of *Sherburn* THIRTY Brethren, whose Names and Ages are as follows; *John Stevenson* of the Age of 90 Years or thereabouts, *William Scurfield* of the Age of 67 Years or thereabouts, *John Hobson* 88 Years or thereabouts, *Christopher Hill* 46, *Ralph Suddick* 90, *Giles Boardman* 40, *Thomas Smith* 40, *William Littlefare* 68, *George Blakiston* 30, *John Harrison* 60, *Leonard Whelton* 34, *Hugh Jones* 80, *Gilbert Dickson* 78, *Richard Bell* 80, *Robert Dobson* 50, *John Scurfield* 88, *Richard Morland* 62, *Anthony Gelson* 60, *Anthony Hodgson* 54, *Richard Story* 60, *John Whitfield* 45, *Thomas Bellamy* 42, *Robert Harrison* 60, *Peter Mansell* 38, *William Horsley* 63, *John Willy* 32, *John Thomas* 60, *William Lartine* 31, *William Ellis* 64, and *Richard Burn* 61, every one of the several Ages aforesaid or thereabouts, being Lame, Blind, Impotent



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tent, or otherwise decayed Persons, yet very quiet and indifferently tractable, receiving every one of them Yearly at the hands of the said Master (besides Meat, Drink, Chamber Fuel, Laundry and other Allowances) *Twenty Shillings* in Money, and are all continually residing there, except some of them sometimes be absent for lack of Chambers, the Lodgings being few, for that the number was augmented by the last Foundation from *Sixteen* to *Thirty*, and those then during their Absence, receive at the most each Man *Forty Shillings*, for all manner of Allowances, and are so licensed by the Master by Permission of the Bishop of Durham for the said Cause; but these Jurors cannot find, that any of the said Brethren have any Allowance in any other College, Hospital, or House for the Poor, neither any Reversion of any Alms Room in any such Place.

UPON the *Seventh* Article they find, that the *Bishop of Durham* for the time being is appointed only *Visitor* of the Hospital of *Sherburn* by Act of Parliament, and hath visited the same once within these Four Years last, to very good Reformation.

UPON the *Eighth* Article they do not find, that any Fees, Pensions, or Payments, have been given, paid, or allowed, to any Person, out of any of the said Hospitals, or the Possessions, Revenues, and Profits thereof, (other then to the Poor thereof during Ten Years last,) saving only out of *Greatbam Hospital* where such Pensions and Payments are Yearly paid to such Persons and for such Causes, as are specified upon the Third Article of this Inquisition.

UPON the *Ninth* Article they find, that there is assigned, limited, and appointed, upon the Foundation or Endowment of the Cathedral Church of Durham, the Sum of *One Hundred Marks*, by the name of Alms Money, Yearly to be allowed by the *Dean and Chapter* there, to be given to the  
Poor,

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Poor, and likewise \**Twenty Pounds* towards the repairing of Highways and Bridges within the County and Bishoprick of Durham, which Sum of *One Hundred Marks* by the space of Ten Years last, hath been distributed by the Right Worshipful Mr. Dr. Matthew now Dean of the said Church, as by his Books containing the particular Distribution thereof Yearly doth and may appear, a Brief whereof containing the gross Sum by him Yearly so distributed, together with the Examinations thereof made by certain her Majesty's Justices in the said County (as a Statute in that behalf requireth) was exhibited to her Majesty's above named Commissioners, and by them collated with the said Books, and to the said Jurors delivered, the tenor whereof follows,

Apud Dunelm. *decimo tertio die Mensis Decembris* 1593. An Account exhibited to her Majestys Commissioners of the Alms Money, being the Sum of \**One Hundred Marks* allowed by the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Durham, Yearly to be given to the Poor, viz. for Ten Years last past, and ended at the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel Anno Dni. 1593, Regni Reginae Elizabethæ 35, as by the Books of Mr. Dr. Mattheue Dean of the said Church may appear.

Anno finit 1584 — 74. 9. 1 Examined and allowed by these Justices of the Peace under their hands, Sir William Bowes, Thomas Calverley, Clement Colmor, Henry Anderson, John Clopton, John Heath, Richard Bellaffes, Christopher Chaytor Esquires.

\* Dedimus etiam annuam summam *Sexaginta et sex librarum tresdecim solidorum et quatuor denariorum*, dictæ Ecclesiæ Dunelm. tum ad Pauperum egenorum subventionum, tum ad Pontes et Vias publicas sternendas vel reficiendas, quarum quidem distributionum ratio particulariter ostendatur in generali computo, atque hæc pecunia num fideliter dispensata fuerit, Episcopus in Visitatione sua considerabit. ---- Alteram summam *Viginti librarum* assignavimus Pontibus et Viis publicis reficiendis et sternendis, secundum Judicium Decani et Capituli, aut eo absente Vicedecani et Capituli, hujus etiam pecuniæ expensæ ratio ostendatur in generali computo, et Episcopus etiam num id fideliter tractetur in Visitatione sua sedulo examinabit. *Statuta Ecclesiæ Cathed. Dunelm. Cap. 38.*  
*Sjmer's Fœdera Vol. 15. p. 73.*

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Anno finit 1585 — 90. 6. 5 Examined and allowed by these Justices of the Peace under their hands, *Sir William Bowes, Thomas Calverley, Clement Colmor, Henry Anderson, John Heath, John Clopton, Christopher Chaytor, Richard Bellaffes* Esquires.

Anno finit 1586 — 97. 8. 6 Examined and allowed by these Justices of the Peace under their hands, *Thomas Calverley, John Hedworth, Anthony Hutton, William Lawson, Clement Colmor, John Heath, Richard Bellaffes* Esquires.

Anno finit 1587 — 88. 3. 10 Examined and allowed by these Justices under their hands, *Thomas Calverley, Henry Anderson, John Heath, John Clopton, Christopher Chaytor, Richard Bellaffes* Esquires.

Anno finit 1588 — 82. 19. 0 Examined and allowed by these Justices of the Peace under their hands, *Thomas Calverley, John Hedworth, Clement Colmor, and Richard Bellaffes* Esquires.

Anno finit 1589 — 83. 19. 7 Examined and allowed by these Justices of the Peace under their hands, *Thomas Calverley, John Hedworth, Henry Anderson, Clement Colmor, Richard Bellaffes* Esquires.

Anno finit 1590 — 77. 8. 5 Examined and allowed by these Justices of the Peace under their hands, *Thomas Calverley, Henry Anderson, Clement Colmor, Richard Bellaffes, Christopher Chaytor* Esquires.

MEMORANDUM, That the Book containing all the former Years Accounts was exhibited by the aforesaid Dean in the Chapter house of the said Church in the presence of Mr. *Thomas Chaytor* Notary Publick, and allowed in the Visitation of the Reverend Father in God *Matthew* Lord Bishop of Durham, holden the 2<sup>d</sup>. day of *October* 1590, by *Clement Colmor* Doctor of Laws sufficiently authorized by the said Bishop in that Visitation as his Substitute or Commissioner.

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Anno finit 1591 — 67. 15. 9 Examined and allowed by these Justices of the Peace under their hands, *Thomas Calverley, Christopher Chaytor, Leonard Pilkington, Clement Colmor, Richard Bellaffes* Esquires.

Anno finit 1592 — 84. 5. 2 Examined and allowed by these Justices of the Peace under their hands, *Thomas Calverley, Leonard Pilkington, Clement Colmor, Richard Bellaffes, John Heath, Robert Swift.*

Anno finit 1593 — 82. 14. 5 Examined and allowed by these Justices of the Peace under their hands, *Thomas Calverley, Leonard Pilkington, George Frevill, Robert Swift, Richard Bellaffes.*

As also the last three Years Accounts above named were seen and allowed in the Lord Bishops Visitation holden in the Chapter house at Durham the 27<sup>th</sup>. September 1593, by his Visitors *Clement Colmor* Doctor of Laws, and *Robert Hutton* Doctor of Divinity under their hands, at which times it appeareth that there remained due to me the said Dean, and to be allowed me in the next Years Account 16. 1. 1.

AND further for the said Sum of *Twenty Pounds* allowed as aforefaid for repairing of Highways and Bridges, they find that the same hath been allowed by the said Dean and Chapter Yearly during the said Ten Years to the use aforefaid, and bestowed by the several Treasurers of the said Church for the time being, as is mentioned in an Account thereof exhibitted to the said Commissioners, and delivered to the said Jury, except some certain Sums resting not bestowed in some of the said Years, which are to be employed and bestowed this next Summer upon most necessary Places, as by a Note thereof contained in the said Account may appear, the tenor of which Account followeth;

Apud Dunelm. 13 die Mensis *Decembris* anno Regni Reginae *Eizabethæ* 36 annoq; Dom. 1593. An Account of the Money Yearly allowed by the Dean  
and



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and Chapter of the Cathedral Church of Durham towards *the repairing of Highways and Bridges*, being the Sum of *Twenty Pounds* exhibited by them to her Majesty's Commissioners for that purpose appointed, and as it appears by the several Treasurers Books for Ten Years last past, and ended at the Feast of Saint Michael the Archangel anno Domini 1593 Regni Reginae Elizabethæ 35.

Anno finit 1584 — Allowed to *Mr. Ralph Leaver* deceased then Treasurer *Twenty Pounds*, whose Book of Disbursements is not to be had.

Anno finit 1585 — Allowed to *Mr. Adam Holiday* deceased then Treasurer *Twenty Pounds*, whose Book of Disbursements is not to be had.

Anno finit 1586 — Allowed to *Mr Robert Swift* then Treasurer *Twenty Pounds*, which was accordingly bestowed as by his Books appears.

Anno finit 1587 — Allowed to *Mr. John Pilkington* then Treasurer *Twenty Pounds*, which was accordingly bestowed as by his Book appeareth.

Anno finit 1588 — Allowed to *Mr. Henry Maunton* then Treasurer *Twenty Pounds*, which was accordingly bestowed as by his Books appeareth.

Anno finit 1589 — Allowed to *Mr Adam Holiday* deceased then Treasurer *Twenty Pounds*, 4. 9. 5 whereof is now paid to *Dr. Hutton* Treasurer to be bestowed this next Summer.

Anno finit 1590 — Allowed to *Mr. Francis Bunny* then Treasurer *Twenty Pounds*, whereof remaineth in his hands as by his Book appeareth 18. 2. 3 $\frac{1}{4}$  for the bestowing whereof sufficient Order is taken that the same shall be paid and employed accordingly this next Summer.

Anno finit 1591 — Allowed to *Mr. Robert Swift* then Treasurer *Twenty Pounds*, which was accordingly bestowed as by his Book appeareth.

Anno finit 1592 — Allowed to *Mr. Leonard Pilkington* then Treasurer  
*Twenty*

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*Twenty Pounds, 8. o. 1* whereof is now paid to *Dr. Hutton* Treasurer to be bestowed next Summer.

A NOTE of Places as by the Dean and Chapter are appointed, whereon the Arrearings of the Money allowed for the repairing of Highways and Bridges shall be bestowed before the Feast of St. James the Apostle next coming after the date hereof.

First to the Bridge lying in the *West Oxes Pasture* in the way to *South Sheel*.  
*Forty Shillings.*

Item, to the Causeway at *Nevill's Cross*, *Twenty Shillings*,

Item, to the Waiste nigh to the East end of *Framwellgate Bridge*, the Ground is in decay, *Thirteen Shillings and Fourpence.*

Item, to the High Street in *Aycliffe South Field* to *Darlington* on this side *Cotton Mundeville* from the Old Causeway Northward about three hundred Yards, *Forty Shillings.*

Item, to the Street in the *North Bailey* called *Kingsgate* as it lyeth down by the *North Bailey Church Yard* to the Postern there, *Ten Shillings.*

Item, to the Highway up *Crosgate* towards *Nevill's Cross* *Twenty Shillings.*

Item, to the Highway at *Newbridge end* from the Causeway there to the Causeway lately made at the Bankside towards *Barns*, *Twenty Six Shillings and Eightpence.*

Item, to the Highway towards *St. Oswalds Church* on the far side of the Water, *Thirteen Shillings and Fourpence.*

Item, to the Stairs of *Mount Bath*, *Thirteen Shillings and Fourpence.*

Item, to the Causeways in *Rainton lane*, *Six Pounds Thirteen Shillings and Fourpence*



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Item, to *Burdon Wood Bridge, Forty Six Shillings and Eightpence.*

To *Hedworth Bridge, Twenty Shillings.*

To *Auckland Lane, Forty Shillings,*

To the Highway between *Cottom and Darlington, Thirty Shillings.*

To *Ketton Bridge, Twenty Shillings.*

To *Willington Mill Bridge, Forty Shillings.*

To the Highway between *Chester and Birtlie, Three Pounds Six Shillings and Eightpence.*

To the Highway by *Driburn, Twenty Shillings.*

To *Skern Oxen Bridge, Twenty Shillings.*

To *Wolsingham Bridge* and other Places within the County and Bishoprick of Durham where greatest need is, *Eight Pounds Nineteen Shillings and Five-pence Farthing.*

And further the said Jurors cannot find upon this Article.

UPON the *Tenth* Article they find, that *Mr. Bernard Gilpin* Clerk, late Parson of *Houghton in the Spring*, by his last Will and Testament about Six Years ago, did give *Sixty Pounds* in Money to the Poor of that Parish, which Money is by the Gentlemen and Churchwardens of that Parish, with the 24 chosen for ordering things about the Church there, delivered and put into the hands of certain sufficient Persons upon good Bonds taken for the safety and repayment of the same, and a Yearly allowance or Gains taken for the loan of the said Money, which is Yearly distributed by the said Churchwardens and 24 to the poorest People of the said Parish, and the Principal Sum of *Threescore Pounds* reserved; and further upon this Article they do not find.

UPON the *Eleventh* Article they find, that the Exemplification of an

Act

## INQUISITION.

Act of Parliament enacted anno 27<sup>th</sup>. of her Majesties Reign, beginning as follows, *For the avoiding of all Ambiguity Doubts and Questions about the name or names of Incorporation or other matters whatsoever against the said Hospital of Sherburn within the County Palatine of Durham, be it enacted &c.* remaineth now in the custody of the Lord Bishop of Durham, and the Copy thereof only and no other remaineth with the said Master of that Hospital, but who hath, or before have had other Evidences and Charters of that Hospital, these Jurors cannot find, but as it is supposed the same have heretofore been in the Custody of the former Masters thereof or their Deputys.

UPON the Twelfth Article they say, that they cannot further find concerning the Premisses than is before specified; but they say there is an Alms-house situate nigh the Mote of the Castle in Durham, sometime the Lands of one Ralph Squire, who by his Deed in writing dated the first of June 1474, did give and grant the same to one John Howdell and his Heirs for ever, for the making and building of One Lodging house for the relief and lodging of Poor People and Strangers intuitu Charitatis coming to the Town of Durham, which House afterwards came to one Cuthbert Billingham as is reported; and they find that Ralph Billingham Heir to the said Cuthbert in the 20<sup>th</sup>. Year of her Majesties Reign that now is, did by his Deed in writing grant the said House with one Burgage in Framwellgate to Anthony Middleton and others being twelve in number, Parishoners of St. Margarets in Durham, To have and to hold the same to them and their Heirs for ever, according to the form and intention expressed in a Schedule to his said Deed annexed, wherein is specified certain Orders for repairing and maintaining the said Alms house for lodging all Poor People travelling craving the same for one Day and one Night, except at the Feasts of the Nativity, and of the Resurrection and Ascension of our Lord, and then the Poor to be lodged for two Days and two Nights, and for Provision of Bedding and some Coals for the said Poor, as by the Schedule amongst  
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other things appeareth; And they find that the said Burgage in *Framwellgate* yeildeth *Ten Shillings and Sixpence* Rent by the Year, which is all the Revenues that belong to the upholding of the said Alms house and the Burgage itself or any other thing therein, which Rent by consent of the said *Anthony Middleton* and his Copartners, the Churchwardens for the time being of *Saint Margarets* do Yearly receive for the Uses aforesaid, and so far as the same will extend do employ the same to the Repairs of the said Houses and other Uses specified in the said Schedule, and have in their Custody the two several Deeds abovementioned and no others.

And the said Jurors do likewise find, that there is one House called the *Spittle House* which standeth in the Common belonging to the Burrough of *Framwellgate*, used for the relief of Infected Persons coming to the City of Durham, where they are relieved at the Charges of the Burrough with Meat, Drink, Fire, and Lodging during their abode, unto which House nothing belongeth but a parcel of Ground of the Rent of *Ten Shillings*, which was taken of the said Common, and the same lyeth open in Entercommon the one half of the Year which is bestowed Yearly about the said House and Poor.

AND further touching any matters contained in the said Articles or any of them, the said Jurors cannot find. IN cujus rei testimonium tam Commissionarii auditi quam Juratores supra nominati huic Inquisitioni Sigilla sua apposuerunt, Dat. Dunelm. die et anno prius supra scriptis.

TOBIT MATTHEW \*

THOMA CALVERLY \* CLEM. COLMOR \* CHR. PILKINGTON \*  
HEN. HEIGHTON \* ROB. FARROW \* RICH. HEIGHTON \*  
EDWD. HUDSPETH \* THO. WOOD \* RALPH MASON \*  
THO. PEARSON \* JOHN SWALWELL \* WM. THOMPSON \*  
JOHN BUTTERY \* JOHN DOBSON \* ANTH. SHADFORTH \*

Collacione

COLLATION of a Thornley Brother.

*The COLLATION of Michael Walton to the place of Thornley  
Brother in Sherburn Hospital by Gilbert Spearman Esquire.*

*1<sup>st</sup>. September 1735.*

**T**O all to whom these Presents shall come, and especially to the Rev.  
*Wadham Chandler* Master of Arts, Master and the Brethren of the  
Hospital of Christ in Sherburn near Durham, in the County Palatine of  
Durham Greeting. Know Ye, that I *Gilbert Spearman* of Bishop Middleham  
in the said County of Durham Esqr. Son of *John Spearman* late of Thornley  
in the Parish of Kellow in the County aforesaid Gentleman deceased; Do by  
these Presents nominate collate institute and admit *Michael Walton* the Elder  
of Thornley aforesaid in the County aforesaid Yeoman, to the place of a  
Brother in the said Hospital, formerly in the Possession of *Randall White*  
deceased, and now vacant by the death of *William Carr* the last Incumbent  
or Possessor of the said Brothers place, (the right of Donation and Collation  
belonging to me) and him the said *Michael Walton* within the said Hospital  
to reside and be sustained as a Brother, and to have and receive the Pen-  
sions, Diet, Cloathing, Chambers, Privileges, Provisions, Profits, Emolu-  
ments, and all Rights to the same belonging or accustomed *during his natur-  
al Life*, according to the Laws, Statutes, Customs, and Liberties of the said  
Hospital. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal dated  
at Bishop Middleham the *first* day of *September* in the ninth Year of the reign  
of our Sovereign Lord King George the Second, and in the Year of our  
Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty five*.

G. SPEARMAN ❀




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*The MONITION of Gilbert Spearman Esquire to Wadham Chandler Master of Sherburn Hospital, of his having collated Michael Walton to the place of Thornley Brother in the said Hospital. 1<sup>st</sup>. September 1735.*

**T**O the Reverend *Wadham Chandler* Master of Arts, Master and the Brethren of the Hospital of Christ in Sherburn near Durham in the County of Durham Greeting. Know Ye, that I *Gilbert Spearman* of Bishop Middleham in the said County of Durham Esquire, Son of *John Spearman* late of Thornley in the Parish of Kellow in the said County of Durham Gentleman deceased, have nominated collated instituted and admitted, and by these Presents do nominate collate institute and admit *Michael Walton* the Elder of Thornley aforefaid Yeoman, to the place of a Brother within the said Hospital, formerly in the possession of *Randall White* deceased, and now vacant by the death of *William Carr* the last Incumbent or Possessor of the said Brothers place, (the right of Presentation Donation and Collation belonging to me) and him the said *Michael Walton* within the said Hospital to reside and be sustained as a Brother, and to have receive and enjoy the said Brothers place, with all and every the Rights, Profits, Pensions, Privileges, and Appurtenances whatsoever to the same belonging *for his natural Life*. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal, dated at Bishop Middleham the *first* day of *September* in the ninth Year of our Sovereign Lord King George the Second, and in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty five*.

G. SPEARMAN 


 *Michael Walton died 16 September 1736, and was buried at Kellow the day following.*

COLLATION of a Thornley Brother.

*The COLLATION of William Brough to the place of Thornley  
Brother in Sherburn Hospital by Gilbert Spearman Esquire.*

*24th. September 1736.*

**T**O all to whom these Presents shall come, and especially to the Rev. *Wadham Chandler* Master of Arts, Master and the Brethren of Christs Hospital in Sherburn near Durham in the County Palatine of Durham Greeting. Know Ye, that I *Gilbert Spearman* of Bishop Middleham in the County of Durham Esquire, Do by these Presents nominate, collate, institute, and admit, *William Brough* of Thornley in the County aforesaid Yeoman, to a place of a Brother in the said Hospital, formerly in the possession of *Randall White* deceased, and now vacant by the death of *Michael Walton* the last Incumbent or Possessor of the said Brothers place, (the right of Donation and Collation belonging to me) and him the said *William Brough* within the said Hospital to reside and be sustained as a Brother, and to have and receive the Pensions, Diet, Cloathing, Chambers, Privileges, Provisions, Profits, Emoluments, and all Rights to the same belonging or accustomed during his natural Life, according to the Laws, Statutes, Customs, and Liberties of the said Hospital. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal, dated at Bishop Middleham the *twenty fourth* day of *September* in the tenth Year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord King George the Second and in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Six*.

G. SPEARMAN 



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*The MONITION of Gilbert Spearman Esquire to the Master of Sherburn Hospital, of his having collated William Brough to the place of Thornley Brother in the said Hospital.*

*24th. September 1736.*

**T**O the Reverend *Wadham Chandler* Master of Arts, Master and the Brethren of Christs Hospital in Sherburn near Durham Greeting. Know Ye, that I *Gilbert Spearman* of Bishop Middleham in the County of Durham Esq. have nominated collated instituted and admitted, and by these Presents do nominate collate institute and admit, *William Brough* of Thornley in the County aforesaid Yeoman, to the place of a Brother within the said Hospital, formerly in the possession of *Randal White* deceased, and now vacant by the death of *Michael Walton* the last Incumbent or Possessor of the said Brothers place, (the right of Presentation Donation and Collation belonging to me) and him the said *William Brough* within the said Hospital to reside and be sustained as a Brother, and to receive and enjoy the said Brothers place with all and every the Rights Profits Pensions Privileges and Appurtenances whatsoever to the same belonging *for his natural Life*. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal, dated at Bishop Middleham the *Twenty fourth* day of *September* in the tenth Year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord King George the second, and in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Six*.

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MASTER'S BOND.

BOND from Robert Stillingfleet Master of Sherburn Hospital, to pay to his Successor the Sum of Two Hundred Pounds for the Use of the said Hospital. 4th. August 1738.

**K** NOW all Men by these Presents, that I Robert Stillingfleet Clerk, Master of Christs Hospital at Sherburn near Durham in the County Palatine of Durham, am held and firmly bound unto the Right Reverend Father in God Edward by Divine Providence Lord Bishop of Durham, in the Sum of *Four Hundred Pounds* of good and lawful Money of Great Britain, to be paid to the said Right Reverend Father or to his certain Attorney or his Successors, to which payment well and truly to be made, I bind myself my Heirs Executors and Administrators and every of them by these Presents, sealed with my Seal dated this *fourth* day of *August* in the twelfth Year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the second by the grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith and so forth and in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Eight*.

WHEREAS the Master of Christs Hospital at Sherburn near Durham hath formerly had at the said Hospital and upon the Lands thereto belonging, considerable Stocks of Corn, Cattle, Household Goods, and Husbandry Utensils, to the Value of *Four Hundred Pounds*, which used to be preserved and kept up by the Master of the Hospital for the time being, to be by him or his Executors delivered down to his Successor there, which said Stock was in the time of Confusion and Distraction, by reason of the Civil Wars in the latter end of the reign of King Charles the first; and afterwards by the Avarice and Wickedness of the intruding Master, for the most part destroyed and lost.

AND WHEREAS Mr. Machon then Master of the said Hospital in the beginning of



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of the Civil Wars, tho' stripped of all his Goods, and forced from his said Mastership, upon the happy return of King Charles the second, was restored to his said Mastership, but without any Compensation for the Stock lost and consumed: In consideration whereof, upon his death, the Right Reverend *Nathaniel Lord Crewe* then Bishop of Durham, thought it reasonable to oblige his Executors to pay no more to *Doctor Mountague* his Successor in the said Hospital, than the Sum of *Two Hundred Pounds*, for and in full satisfaction for the said Stock so lost and destroyed; and the Lord Bishop by an Order under his Hand and Seal dated the *ninth* day of *July* 1720, did grant and consent to the said *Dr. Mountague*, that he the said *Dr. Mountague* his Heirs Executors or Administrators should pay over to the next Successor in the said Hospital the like Sum of *Two Hundred Pounds*, and be answerable for no more Stock upon the Premises than to the Value of the Stock he the said *Dr. Mountague* entered upon, and accordingly the said *Two Hundred Pounds* was paid by the Executors of the said *Dr. Mountague*, with the like consent of the then Lord Bishop *Talbot* for the like reason to *Dr. Rundle* his Successor in the said Hospital, for and on the same account; and the said *Dr. Rundle* upon his removal to the Bishoprick of *Derry* in Ireland, having left no Stock upon the Ground, did by the consent of the present Bishop of Durham, (as a Rule for future times, for Masters of the said Hospital to accept and deliver over to their Successors) pay to the Reverend *Wadham Chandler* his Successor in the said Hospital; the Sum of *Two Hundred Pounds* for and on the same account.

AND WHEREAS the said *Wadham Chandler* is since deceased, and having given a Bond for the payment of the said *Two Hundred Pounds* to his Successor in the said Hospital, which Sum his Administrator hath now paid over to the above bounden *Robert Stillingfleet* his Successor in the said Hospital,  
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for and in full satisfaction of the Stock aforesaid so lost and destroyed, and with the consent of the said Lord Bishop of Durham.

NOW the CONDITION of this Obligation is such, that if the above bounden Robert Stillingfleet his Heirs Executors or Administrators, do and shall upon the death cession or resignation of the said Robert Stillingfleet of the said Mastership of the said Hospital, pay or cause to be paid to his Successor in the said Hospital, the full Sum of *Two Hundred Pounds* of good and lawfull Money of Great Britain, for the Uses of the said Hospital as above mentioned, then this Obligation to be void or else in force.

*Sealed and Delivered (being  
first duly stamped) in the  
Presence of - - - - -* } ROBERT STILLINGFLEET ❀

CHRIS. HUNTER

C. WHITAKER

RECEIVED *September the Eight 1744*, of the Rev. Robert Stillingfleet Clerk Master of Christs Hospital at Sherburn near Durham, a Bond bearing date the *fourth* day of *August 1738*, in the Penal Sum of Four Hundred Pounds to the Right Reverend Father in God Edward Lord Bishop of Durham and his Successors, for paying *Two Hundred Pounds* to the succeeding Master of the said Hospital, in lieu of Stock, I say received the said Bond from the said Master by me,

C. WHITAKER



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*The COLLATION of William Pattison to the place of Thornley  
Brother in Sherburn Hospital by George Spearman Esquire.*

*10th. September 1744.*

**T**O all to whom these Presents shall come, and especially to the Rev. *Robert Stillingfleet* Master of Arts, Master and the Brethren of Christs Hospital in Sherburn near Durham, in the County Palatine of Durham Greeting. Know Ye, that I *George Spearman* of Bishop Middleham in the said County Palatine of Durham Esqr. Do by these Presents nominate collate institute and admit *William Pattison* of Bishop Middleham aforesaid in the said County of Durham Yeoman, to the place of a Brother in the said Hospital, formerly in the Possession of *Randal White* deceased, and now vacant by the death of *William Brough* the last Incumbent or Possessor of the said Brothers place, (the right of Donation and Collation belonging to me) and him the said *William Pattison* within the said Hospital to reside, and be sustained as a Brother, and to have and receive the Pensions, Diet, Cloathing, and Chambers, Privileges, Provisions, Profits, Emoluments, and all Rights to the same belonging or accustomed *during his natural Life*, according to the Laws, Statutes, Customs, and Liberties of the said Hospital.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal dated at Bishop Middleham the *tenth* day of *September* in the eighteenth Year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Second, by the Grace of God of Great Britain France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith &c. and in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty four*.

GEO. SPEARMAN ✽


MONITION of collating a Thornley Brother.

*The MONITION of George Spearman Esquire to the Master of Sherburn Hospital, of his having collated William Pattison to the place of Thornley Brother in the said Hospital.*

• 10th. September 1744.

**T**O the Reverend *Robert Stillingfleet* Master of Arts, Master and the Brethren of Christs Hospital in Sherburn near Durham Greeting. Know Ye, that I *George Spearman* of Bishop Middleham in the County of Durham Esq. have nominated collated instituted and admitted, and by these Presents do nominate collate institute and admit, *William Pattison* of Bishop Middleham aforesaid in the said County of Durham Yeoman, to the place of a Brother in the said Hospital, formerly in the possession of *Randal White* deceased, and now vacant by the death of *William Brough* the last Incumbent or Possessor of the said Brothers place, (the right of Presentation Donation and Collation belonging to me) and him the said *William Pattison* within the said Hospital to reside and be sustained as a Brother, and to receive and enjoy the said Brothers place with all and every the Rights Profits Pensions Privileges and Appurtenances whatsoever to the same belonging *for his natural Life*.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal, dated at Bishop Middleham the *tenth* day of *September* in the eighteenth Year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord King George the second, and in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Forty four*.

GEO. SPEARMAN 



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Bishop Chandler's *Order or Allowance for Robert Stillingfleet*  
*Master of Sherburn Hospital, to be accountable only for the Goods*  
*of the said Hospital, according to an Inventory then made thereof,*  
*lodged in the Bishop's Registry at Durham. 29th. April 1748.*

WHEREAS in order to the better securing to Christs Hospital in Sherburn in the County and Dioceſe of Durham, the Goods thereunto belonging, and the preventing any Loſs or Embezelment which might otherwiſe happen, it has been thought proper to lodge in the Biſhops Registry at Durham, an Inventory of the Goods of the ſaid Hoſpital: And whereas it has been repreſented to Us by the Reverend *Robert Stillingfleet* the preſent Maſter of the ſaid Hoſpital, that ſeveral of the Goods mentioned in the former Schedule, are through length of time &c. worn out and become abſolutely uſeleſs, and that he hath at a conſiderable expence provided ſeveral others in lieu thereof, which he is deſirous to have ſecured to the ſaid Hoſpital in the ſame manner.

NOW We do allow of the following as the true and proper Inventory of the Goods belonging unto the ſaid Hoſpital, and for which only the Maſter is from henceforth to be accountable.

In Witneſs whereof We have hereunto ſet our Hand and Epſcopal Seal this *twenty ninth* day of *April* in the Year of our Lord One Thouſand Seven Hundred and forty eight.

E. DURESME ❀

❀ Bishop Chandler died 20th. Jtne 1750.

Mr. Stillingfleet died at Bristol 3d. August 1759 Æt. 58, he held the Maſterſhip of Sherburn Hoſpital 21 Years, and was ſucceeded by Dr. David Gregory.

## SCHEDULE of GOODS.

A SCHEDULE of the Goods belonging unto Christs Hospital in Sherburn in the County and Diocefe of Durham. 29th. April 1748:

### *Chappel Plate and Linnen.*

One Silver Flaggon, one Silver Chalice, one small Silver Salver, one Table Cloth, and one Napkin.

### *In the Master's Lodgings.*

One large Silver Tankard.

### *In the Chaplain's Apartment.*

One Bedstead with Green Curtains, one Feather Bed Bolster and Pillow, three Blanketts and one Quilt.

### *In the Brethren's Hall.*

One long Firr Table and two Forms, one large Back-settle and two small ones, one Iron Pan, one Washing Tub and Staff, one pair of Tongs.

### *In the Tenants House and Kitchen.*

One pair of large Grate Barrs, one Cinder Grate, a Smoak Jack, three Iron Spitts, a pair of Iron Racks, an Iron Oven, an Iron Furnace Pot, a Brass Pan, two Kettles, an Iron Pot, an Iron Crane with three Crooks, an Iron Coal-rake, a Beef-fork, two Tin Pudding Pans, three Pewter Dishes, one old Copper Quart, one long Oak Table, two Forms, a Dreffer with Shelves, a small Dreffer with Shelves, two Cheese Shelves, a Salt Box.

### *In the Parlour.*

One Iron Grate, a pair of Tongs, a square Table, an arm'd Chair.

### *In the Parlour Chamber.*

One old Bedstead with Curtains torn, a round Table, a pare of Grate Barrs and a Fender.

*In*



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### *In the little Parlour Chamber.*

Grate Barrs, a Chest which divides into two parts, a round Firr Table.

*In the Servants Room and Flour Room.* Two old Bedsteads. A Temping Table.

### *In the Dairy.*

One long Table, twelve Shelves, two Cheefe Troughs, a leaden Milk Trough a Butter Tub and Caser, four Wooden Milk Bowls, Leaden Butter Weights.

*In the Buttery.* Four Shelves, two Cheefe Vatts, four Curd Vatts, a Syle and two Wooden Dishes.

### *In the Passages and Cellar.*

Two Cheefe Presses, two Sinkers, a Hen Pen, a large Firr Press for Cloths. A Leaden Beef Trough, two Gantrees, eleven Hogheads.

### *In the Brewhouse.*

A large Boiler, a Malking Tub and a leaden Trough under it, a Leaden Cooler, a large Gylevat, a small Gylevat, a Water Tub, three flatt Tubs, a long Hand, a Shirer, a Hopp Basket and Bearer, a long Trough and a short one, a Coal-rake and Poker, two Funnels and a Strum.

*In the Pantry.* Two Chests, a sett of Shelves, a Leavening Tub.

*In the Granary and Malt House.* One Bushell and a Shovel, A Cistern, a Grate, and a Hair Cloth.

### *At Biarsgarth.*

One pair of old Stings, two old Coop Carts, one small Sock, three Coulters, three Yokes, three large Swingle Trees, six Iron Draught Teams, four large Bolts and Shackles, four small Bolts and Shackles, three Horse Soams, two Iron Grapes, two Oat Riddles, one Wheat Riddle, one Barley Riddle, a Peck, a Bing, two Ox Harrows, two Horse Harrows, two Drags, one Ox Rack, one long Rack under the Hovel.

ROBERT STILLINGFLEET Master.

## ORDINANCES and RULES.

ORDINANCES and RULES delivered by the Right Reverend Father in God TOBY by Divine Providence Bishop of Duresme, unto Robert Bellamy Clerk Doctor of Physick, Master and the Brethren of Christs Hospital in Sherburn near Duresme in the County of Duresme in the said Lord Bishop his Diocess, on a Visitation holden in the Year of our Lord God Fourscore and Fifteen. 1595.

**F**ORASMUCH as by the Foundation of that Hospital, made in the 27 Year of the Reign of our most dread Sovereign Lady *Elizabeth* by the Grace of God Queen of England France and Ireland, Defender of the Faith &c. Power and Authority is given to the Bishops of Duresme successively, not only to nominate, collate, admit and institute, the Maister of the said Hospitall into the same so often as it shall become void; but also to make, ordain, and set down Ordinances and Rules (not repugning to the Laws of this Realm) to be observed and kept inviolable by the said Maister & Brethren and their Successors; It is therefore ordained, decreed and set down, by the said Reverend Father by Authority aforesaid, for the better Government of the said Hospitall, in manner and form following.

FIRST, It is ordained by the said Reverend Father, that the Maister of the said Hospitall for the time being, shall well and faithfully perform all the partes required of him by the said Statute or Foundation, as well for instructing of the Brethren and Family there in sincere Religion as vertuous Demeanor, as also for the maintaining and preserving of the Stock & Goods and Chattells, with other Implements belonging to the said Hospitall, and committed to the said Maister, according to the laudable Custom of his Predecessors Maisters of the said Hospitall, and the Bond usually taken of them and every of them in that case.

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ITEM, It is ordained by the said Reverend Father, that the said Maister for the time being, shall from henceforth keep and releive with sufficient Allowance *Thirty Brethren*, such as the Statute or Foundation doth limit or appoint, and in such sort as shall be from time to time thought most convenient by the said Reverend Father, whereof some to be aged, lame, blind, or otherwise impotent, and some Men fit for the Offices and Services within the said Hospitall, and some to be Children *viz.* Boys, so they do not exceed the number of *four*, apt for learning dayly to pray for the good preservation of the Queens Majesty their Foundress her Heirs and Successors: Provided always, that so many as be Children, shall be brought up in learning and the Catechism fit for their Capacity till they be fit for some Trade in the Commonwealth, or else some Office in the said Hospitall.

ITEM, It is ordained by the said Reverend Father, that all and every the number of Brethren appointed by the said Statute or Foundation, shall willingly and presently (the cause of Infirmary by the said Maister to be approved only except) without delay, repair home, meet and come together at and within the said Hospital at two several times in the Year yearly *viz.* the day of *September*, being the day of her Majestys Birth, and the *17th.* day of *November*, being the day of her Highness Coronation, then and there mutually with one Heart and Voice to pray and praise God, and further to propose, conclude, set down and finish, all other the Affairs of the said Hospitall then treatable; at which time the Maister of the said Hospitall shall not only allow and perform to all and every the Brethren so assembled, sufficient Meat and Drink for two days space, but also shall make before them some godly Christian Exhortation, to perswade them to Godliness and Obedience, and a continual Thankfulness for the great benefits of her Majesty bestowed on them and that Hospitall.

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ITEM, It is further ordained by the said Reverend Father, that whereas the Act and Foundation of that Hospitall forbiddeth any Woman to be admitted into the number and Society there, and consequently intended all Suspicion to be avoided; the Maister henceforth shall not admit nor receive any marry'd Man having his Wife alive, usually to lodge and continue within the Precinct of the said Hospitall, and shall not permit their Wives or Childern, or other Friends and Acquaintance to resort into the said Hospitall; forsomuch as there be Women appointed to attend the same Poor Men sufficiently in Sicknes and in Health; and that the said Maister shall not permit any of the said Brethren to gadd and range abroad, without especial cause allowed and licence obtained, either by the Maister or his Curate, to the intent they may better attend Gods Service and the performance of their duties dayly in the Church, and other Offices about the Affairs of that Hospitall, assigned unto them by the Maister or the Steward.

ITEM, It is ordained by the said Reverend Father, that if any of the said Brethren either resident or absent, shall become a stubborn or disobedient Person, a Disturber of the Common Peace in that Society, a Despiser of the present State, a Maintainer of Factions, a Drawer from Obedience, a Seducer from Religion now established, a Whisperer or Spreader of Lies, or a common Frequenter of infamous or defamed Persons or Places; every such Person convented or convicted thereof before the Maister there under the testimony of four or five of the Brethren then present, shall presently according to the quality of his Offence be punished or expelled, according to the order of the said Foundation.

AND further, if any of the Brethren there resident, either in weakness of Stomach, desire, or by willful Contempt, refuse and dislike the Prescript-Dyet of the House, then the Maister of the same Hospitall shall suffer or compell the same partie to his own private Provision elsewhere; giving and  
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allowing Yearly unto the said Party or Parties each one *Forty Shillings*, to be paid by *Ten Shillings* a Quarter, as others absent formerly have been wont to receive; Provided always, that no Brother shall make Sale of his place on pain of present Expulsion.

ITEM, Lastly it is ordained by the said Reverend Father, that all the Stock of Goods and Chattells, Corn, Hay, Utenfills, and Implements of the said Hospital whatsoever, shall be delivered by the former Maister if he be living, or by his Executors or Assigns if he be dead, unto the Successor and Brethren by an Inventory Tripartite, as was done lately after the death of Maister *Doctor Daile*, whereof one part to remain with the Bishop of *Duresme*, and another part with the Successor, and the third part with the former Maister and his Executors; and to this purpose every new Maister before his Admission, shall become bound to the Lord Bishop of *Duresme* for the time being in a Bond of *Eight Hundred Pounds* or more, for the performance, fastey, and delivery of all the said Stock of Goods and Chattells, Corn, Hay, Utenfills, and Implements whatsoever belonging to the said Hospitall, at every change of the Maister, according to the aforesaid Inventory, and the commendable Examples of his Predecessors the former Maisters of the said Hospitall.

*The Order of Daily Service to be had within the Church of Christs Hospitall in Sherborne, viz.*

FIRST, Morning Prayer at the tolling of a Bell, to begin at Seven of the Clock in the Morning Sommerday, and at Eight a Clock in the Morning Winterday, to be said throughout according to the form of Common Prayer.

ITEM, at Ten o'Clock in the Forenoon, the Minister upon Wednesdays and Frydays to say the Litany, the Ten Commandments, the Epistle and Gospel for that Week, with the Prayers and Collects accustomed, according

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to the Book of Common Service, and on the other Week days and Sundays and Holydays he may omit the Litany, especially if there be a Sermon, but shall say the rest of the said Service.

ITEM, the Evening Prayer to begin at three o'Clock in the Afternoon, and to be said throughout according to the Book of Common Prayer, at what time the Curate may spare if he see occasion one of the Lessons, and instead thereof shall catechise and examine the Brethren touching their Faith at his discretion; at which Service and Prayers all the Brethren lodging and resident within the said Hospital, shall be present daily to praise God, and to pray for the good Estate of the Queen's most excellent Majesty their Foundress, unless any of them be sick indeed, or occupied about the Affairs of the Hospital by the appointment of the Master or his Officers, and whosoever shall offend herein, for the first time shall want a Days Commons, for the second time three Days Commons, and for the third time shall be removed from that Hospital, according to the Statute or Foundation as an unworthy Member of such a Society; and whosoever come after the first Psalm or after the Litany be ended, shall be accounted absent for that time, to reform the negligences and slowness of some.

THE Sundays and other Holydays, Morning Prayers to begin about nine o'Clock in the Morning, and to be said throughout, unless some part be omitted by reason of a Sermon; and Evening Prayer to begin at the time as upon other days in the Week.

*Allowances of Dyet for the Poor Brethren of the said Hospital.*

*At Breakfast on Work Days.*

One kind of Milknefs, One Loaf of Bread weighing about twenty four Ounces to four, and small Beer sufficient.



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### *At Dinner*

On Sundays and Thursdays two kinds of Flesh Meat, one roasted on Sundays, and on the other days two kinds of Milknefs and one of Milk, and another of Fish or Flesh as best may be provided, and each day to four a Loaf of temped Bread weighing xxiiij Ounces, and a Loaf of brown Bread weighing xxiiij Ounces, and single Beer sufficient.

### *At Supper.*

To have as at Dinner two kinds of Meat, and their Bread and Beer in like manner.

### *At Afternoon Drinkings.*

Every One to have a peice of Bread cut to him by the Butler if it be required, and a Jug of Beer amongst them that are there present at the Buttery Door.

PROVIDED always, that none carry or convey any Meat, Drink, or Bread, from the Table, save only to the Buttery, upon pain of losing his Commons three days for the first time, and a fortnight Commons the second time, and Expulsion the third time, when any shall be convicted thereof; and if any of them do mislike of these Orders, or become discontented with this Dyet, the same to be put to his own Provision, and upon request made to the Master in good manner, the same to have such Allowance abroad, as the said Reverend Father the *Bishop of Durham* for the time being shall set down, if he be thought worthy to have any thing at all.

PROVIDED likewise, that none of the said Brethren presume to depart at any time out of the Precincts of the said Hospital and Demesnes thereabouts for any occasion, without the especial lycence of the Master himself,

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(if he be at home and about the house, or of his Chaplain in his absence) upon pain of loss of two days Commons for the first time, and one weeks Commons for the second time, and Expulsion for the third time, as Men undutiful and unworthy of her Majesties Bounty in that Society &c.

ALL which Rules and Ordinances the said Reverend Father doth strictly will and charge the said Master and Brethren and every of them, dutifully and effectually to observe and perform, so far forth as to them and every of them appertaineth.

IN TESTIMONY whereof, and of all and every the Premises, the said Reverend Father hath to these Presents subscribed his Name and put his Seal which he uses in Cases Ecclesiastical, the *Twenty fourth* day of *March*, in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Five Hundred Fourscore and Fifteen*, and in the *first* Year of the said Reverend Father his Consecration.

TOBIE DURESME.

*Exhibit. in Visitatione quarta Reverendi Patris Tobis Dunelm. Episc.  
24 die Mensis Maii 1604.*

*Exam. THO. KING Notar. Public.*

1599 April 16th. Bishop Matthews made further Ordinances and Rules at this Visitation, concerning the Stock of Corn and Hay to be left at the death resignation or removal of the Master, which were delivered to Robt. Bellamy then Master.



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*The RECOGNIZANCE of Robert Bellamy Master of Sherburn Hospital, for delivery of the Stock of Cattle, Corn, Hay, &c. belonging to the said Hospital, at his Resignation or Death. 22d. April 1605.*

**M**EMORANDUM, Quod Robertus Bellamy Clericus, in Medicinis Doctor, Magister Hospitalis Christi in Sherburne prope Dunelm. in Com. Dunelm. Coram Reverendo in Christo Patre Tobia Episc. Dunelm. in Cancellar. Dunelm. personaliter constitut. recognovit se debere Serenissimo et Potentissimo in Christo Principi Jacobo Dei gratia Angliæ, Scotiæ, &c. Regi &c. Octingent. libras bonæ et legalis Monetæ Angliæ solvend. eid. Domino Regi Hæredibus vel Successoribus suis, et nisi ita fecerit, vult et concedit quod Vicecomes Dunelm. fieri faciat prædict. summam Octingent. librarum de omnibus Maneriis, Messuagiis, Terris et Tenementis prædicti Robert Bellamy, Hæredum Executorum vel Administratorum suorum in Com. Dunelm. Teste Thoma Calverley Ar. Cancellar. Dunelm. apud Dunelm. Vicesimo secundo die Aprilis anno regni dicti Domini Regis Angliæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ tertio, et Scotiæ tricesimo octavo. 1605.

THE CONDITION of this Recognizance is such, that Whereas the Right Reverend Father in God TOBYE by Divine Providence Bishop of Duresme, the Sixteenth day of April in the Year of our Lord God One Thousand Five Hundred Fourscore and Nineteen, in his Diocesan and Ordinary Visitation then depending, did make, set down, and cause to be delivered in writing under his Hand and Seal to the above named Robert Bellamy Clerk Doctor of Physick, then and now Master, and the Brethren of Christs Hospital in Sherburne nigh Duresme in the County of Duresme aforesaid, certain Ordinances and Rules specially concerning the Stock of Corn and Hay to be left at the Death, Resignation, or Removal, of each Master of the said Hospital, by them and their Successors to be observed and kept: In which Ordinances and Rules amongst other Things, it is ordained to this effect, viz. That as  
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well for the performance of the same Ordinances and Rules, as for the due preservation safety and delivery of all other the whole Stock of Cattle, Goods, Plate, Stuff, Utensils and Implements, belonging to the said Hospital, according to an Inventory thereof made after the death of Master *Valentine Daile* Doctor of the Laws and Master of Requests to the late Queens Majesty, and late Master of the said Hospital, as well the said Master then and now being, as every other Master that shall succeed, before the time of his Induction or real Possession of or in the said Hospital, and before he shall take or receive any Profits or Commodities, or any way intermeddle with the Government or Charge thereof, shall acknowledge one Recognizance in the Sum of *Eight Hundred Pounds* of lawful English Money to the Kings Majestys Use in the Chancery at *Duresme*, before the Chancellor of the County Palatine of *Duresme* for the time being, as by the same doth and may appear.

IF THEREFORE the said *Robert Bellamy* Clerk now Master of the said Hospital, his Executors Administrators and Assigns, shall from henceforth on his and their behalf, well and truly perform and observe the said Ordinances and Rules and every part and parcel thereof; and also shall duly preserve and safe deliver, within ten days next after he the said *Robert Bellamy* shall happen to die, or by Resignation, or by any other manner of Avoidance whatsoever, become not Master of the said Hospital, all such other the whole Stock and Store of Goods, Cattle, Plate, Stuff, Utensils and Implements, and every part thereof not mentioned in the said Ordinances, as belong or ought to belong to the said Hospital, in the name of the Stock, Store, Goods, Cattle, Plate, Stuff, Utensils, and Implements whatsoever of the same Hospital, or by any other name whatsoever, according to the said Inventory thereof made after the death of Master *Valentine Daile* aforesaid, late Master of the said Hospital, now remaining in the Register of the said Reverend Father the *Bishop of Duresme*, and of the full several Values or Prices thereof mentioned

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to the next succeeding Master after him, and the Brethren of the said Hospital, or to such other Person or Persons as the Reverend Father *Lord Bishop of Durham* for the time being shall under his Hand and Seal appoint and authorize for the Receipts thereof, to and for the Use of the said succeeding Master and Brethren of the said Hospital, that then this Obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force power and vertue.

ROBERT BELLAMY 

THOMAS MURRAY Master,

1606 January 4th.

**E** G O Thomas Murray \* Armiger admittendus ad Hospitale Christi de Shirburne prope Dunelm. his Articulis libenter ex animo subscribo quatenus me concernunt.

THOMAS MURRAY

*The above extracted from the Subscription Book in the Consistory Court at Durham in the time of Bishop James.*

Thomas Murray ( a Scotchman of the Athol Family, collated \* contrary to the Act 27 of Queen Eliz. ) was Tutor and Secretary to Prince Charles ( afterwards King Charles the first ) and had a Pension of 200 Marks a Year granted to him by K. James 1<sup>st</sup>. 1605, and which he surrendered up to the same King 27 January 1613. — In 1621 he was Provost of Eton College. He died 9<sup>th</sup>. April 1623, being then newly cut for the Stone, and was buried in the Chapel of that College. *Woods Athenæ Vol. 1. p. 398. Rymer's Fæd. Vol. 16. p. 631. See his Epitaph in Le Neves Monumenta Anglicana p. 86. No. 163.*



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*The COLLATION of William Shawe M. A. to the Mastership  
of Sherburn Hospital by Bishop Neile. 11th. July 1623.*

**U**NDECIMO die mensis *Julii* anno Domini 1623, apud *Durham*  
*Houfe in le Strand* in Comitatu Middlesex, coram Reverendo in Christo  
Patre ac Domino Domino *Richardo* Providentia divina Dunelmensis Episco-  
po, in præsentia mei *Edwardi Liveley* Notarii Publici Registrarii &c. com-  
paruit personaliter *Willielmus Shawe* Clericus Artium Magister et subscriptis  
per cum tribus illis articulis in tricesimo capite canonum ecclesiasticorum  
auctoritate publica nuper editorum descriptis præstitisque per eum juramen-  
tis tam regie suppremitatis, &c. ac allegianciæ et fidelitatis regie Majestati ejus-  
que hæredibus et successoribus &c. quam canonicæ obedientiæ &c. Simonæ  
&c. ac de fideliter observando Statuta Ordinationes et Foundationes Hospitalis  
Christi in Sherborne prope Dunelmum in Comitatu Palatino Dunelmensi  
quatenus cum ratione officii custodis et Magistri ejusdem Hospitalis tangunt  
et concernunt ad sancta Dei Evangelia per se corporaliter tacta rite juratum  
præfatus Reverendus Pater admisit eundem *Willielmum Shawe* ad officium  
Custodis et Magistri ejusdem Hospitalis Christi in Sherborne per mortem na-  
turalem *Thomæ Murray* ultimi Custodis et Magistri ejusdem vacans, et ad  
suam collationem et donationem pleno jure suo Episcopale Dunelmensi spec-  
tans, idemque officium sibi intuitu Charitatis contulit, ipsumque Custodem  
et Magistrum ejusdem Hospitalis Christi in Sherborne prædicti præfecit, ac  
in et de eodem cum suis juribus membris et pertinentiis universis rite et ca-  
nonice instituit et legitime investivit, curamque regimen et administrationem  
tam Spiritualium quam Temporalium sibi in domino plenarie commisit, Ju-  
ribus et consuetudinibus suis Episcopalibus et Ecclesiæ suæ Cathedralis Du-  
nelmensis dignitate et honore in omnibus semper salvis.

\* 1635 Aug. 25. Upon a Division of the Township fields of Sherburn William Shawe Master of the Hospital had 7 Acres allotted to him in right of the Hospital Lands. Durham Chancery Rolls Book K 262.

INSTITUTION to the Vicarage of Bishopston.

INSTITUTION of David Miles to the Vicarage of Bishopston  
4th. February 1625.

**D**IE Sabbati quarto Februarii anno Domini Millesimo sexcentesimo  
vicefimo quinto &c. coram *Ricardo* Dunelmensi Episcopo comparuit  
*David Miles* Clericus A. M. et exhibuit literas Præsentationis de Persona sua  
ad Vicariam perpetuam Ecclesiæ Parochialis de *Bushopton* in Diocesi Dunel-  
mensi per mortem *Egidii Widowes* Clerici vacantem, per discretum Virum  
*Robertum Pleasaunce* Armigerum verum Patronum ejusdem Vicariæ virtute  
donationis et concessionis sibi per *Willielmum Sharwe* Clericum Magistrum et  
Fratres Hospitalis Christi de Shereburne prope Civitatem Dunelmensem  
in Comitatu Dunelmensi veros et indubitatos Patronos ejusdem Vicariæ,  
primæ et proximæ advocacionis, donationis, nominationis, præsentationis,  
liberæque dispositionis Vicariæ prædictæ factæ, et tunc subscriptis per eum  
Articulis &c.



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A PRESENTATION to the Curacy or Chappel of Ebbesker.  
9th. August 1627.

**V**ENERABILIS Vir *Willielmus Shawe* s. r. p. Magister ac Fratres  
Hospitalis Christi de Shereburn prope Dunelmum in Comitatu Du-  
nelmensi veri et indubitati Patroni Ecclesiæ Parochialis sive Capellæ de *Eb-  
chesker*; per literas suas Patentes sigillo suo communi seu Capitulari munitas  
gerentes datam nono die Augusti anno secundo Regis Caroli &c. dederunt  
et concesserunt prefato *Mathia Wrightson* pro termino vitæ suæ naturalis  
Ecclesiam suam seu Capellam de *Ebbesker* vacantem per resignationem cujus-  
dam *Georgii Wrightson* ultimi Incumbentis ibidem; cum Manso, Terris, Pratis,  
Decimis tam majoribus quam minoribus, Oblationibus, Obventionibus, cum  
omnibus et singulis Emolumentis, Juribus, et Commoditatibus Ecclesiasticis  
eidem Ecclesiæ sive Capellæ de jure pertinentibus et spectantibus in tam am-  
plis modo et forma prout aliquis alius Curatus sive Capellanus ejusdem Ec-  
clesiæ sive Capellæ hujusmodi Decimas et Jura Ecclesiastica habuit tenuit  
recepit et gavifus fuit.

## INSTITUTION of John Machon.

*Bishop Morton's Letters of Institution for John Machon M. A. to the Mastership of Sherburn Hospital. 23 d. September 1636.*

**T**HOMAS Providentia divina Dunelmensis Episcopus; dilecto nobis in Christo *Johanni Machon* Clerico, in Artibus Magistro, sacri verbi Dei Prædicatori, salutem, gratiam, et benedictionem: Ad Custodiam Domus Hospitalis Christi de *Sherburne* prope Dunelmum nostræ Dunelmensis Diocesis. per mortem naturalem *Willielmi Shawe* Clerici, sacræ Theologiæ Professoris, ultimi incumbentis jam vacantem, et ad nostram donationem pleno jure spectantem, te præfatum *Johannem Machon* (de cujus fidelitate scientia et circumspeditionis industria plurimum in hac parte confidimus) intuitu Charitatis admittimus, Teque Magistrum et Custodem ejusdem Hospitalis (delato primitus tibi, ac per te præstito non solum juramento de agnoscendo supremam regiam potestatem et auctoritatem infra regna et ditiones suas, atque de renunciando omnibus et omnimodis auctoritatibus, potestatibus, et jurisdictionibus forensicis, verum etiam de obedientia debita et consueta, nobis et Successoribus nostris Episcopis Dunelmensibus pro tempore exhibenda, ac etiam de Statutis, Ordinationibus, et Consuetudinibus dicti Hospitalis, quatenus te obtentu præmissorum tangunt et concernunt fideliter observandis et præstandis, tactis per te sacrosanctis Dei Evangeliiis) rite et canonicè instituimus et investimus, et in eodem cum suis juribus membris et pertinentiis universis, curamque et regimen ejusdem Hospitalis tibi in Domino committentes quemadmodum committimus per præsentem, juribus nostris Episcopalibus, et Ecclesiæ nostræ Cathedralis Dunelm. dignitate et honore in omnibus semper salvis. In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum nostrum Episcopale (quo in hujusmodi utimur) præsentibus apponi fecimus, Dat *viceesimo tertio die Septembris* Anno Domini *Millesimo Sexcentesimo tricesimo sexto*, et nostræ Translationis quinto.

THO. DUNELM. ❀



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*The Bishops TESTIMONIAL of John Machon's taking the Oaths,  
and subscribing the Articles, on his Collation as Master of Sherburn  
Hospital. 23d. September 1636.*

**T**HOMAS Providentia Divina Dunelm. Episcopus, Universis Christi fidelibus ad quos hæ Literæ nostræ Testimoniales pervenerint Salutem ab authore Salutis; Ad universitatis, vestræ notitiam deducimus et deduci volumus per præsentem, quod die datæ præsentium constitutus personaliter coram nobis *Johannes Machon* Clericus in Artibus Magister ac verbi dei prædicator ad officium Custodis sive Magistri Hospitalis Christi in Shereburne nostræ Dunelm. Dioceseos per nos admittendus et conferendus Articulis de quibus in Synodo London communi assensu et consensu Archiepiscoporum Episcoporum et Cleri utriusque Provinciæ Cant. et Ebor. convenit anno Domini Millesimo quingentesimo sexagesimo secundo ad tollendam opinionum varietatem, et ad veram Christi religionem confirmandam, ac etiam tribus illis Articulis descriptis in tricesimo sexto Canone Libri Constitutionum Ecclesiasticarum in nupera Synodo London habita, anno Domini millesimo quingentesimo sexagesimo secundo et auctoritate regia pariter editis; Voluntarie coram nobis consensit et subscripsit. Dat sub Sigillo nostro Episcopali *viceesimo tertio* die mensis *Septembris* Anno Domini *Millesimo sexcentesimo tricesimo sexto*, et nostræ Translationis quinto.

THO. DUNELM. ❀

## MANDATE *for* INDUCTION.

Bishop Morton's *Mandate to induct* John Machon A. M. *into the*  
*Office of Master of Sherburn Hospital, 23d. September 1636.*

**T**HOMAS Providentia Divina Episcopus Dunelm. dilecto nobis in Christo ac Venerabili Viro *Gabrieli Clark* Cleric. Sacrae Theologiae Professori sive ejus in hac parte Officiali Salutem et Gratiam ad Inducendum inducive faciendum dilectum nobis in Christo *Johannem Machon* Clericum in Artibus Magistrum ac Verbi Dei Praedictorem nos die dat. praesentium ad Officium *Custodis sive Magistri Hospitalis Christi in Sherburne* prope Dunelm. nostrae Dunelm. Dioces. rite et canonice institut. et collat. sive ejus Procuratorem legitimum nomine suo et pro eo in realem actualem et corporalem possessionem dicti Hospitalis Juriumque Membrorum et Pertinentium suorum universorum Vobis ( de quorum fidelitatibus et in rebus gerendis dexteritat. in hac parte plurimum confidimus ) vices nostras conjunctim et divisim committimus ac plenam in Domino tenore praesentium concedimus potestatem et facultatem; et quid in praemiss. feceritis nos aut nostrum Vicarium in Spiritualibus Generalem et Commissarium Principalem aliumve Judicem in hac parte competentem quemcunque debite certificetis una cum praesentibus. Dat. sub Sigillo nostro Episcopali quo in hujusmodi utimur *Vicesimo tertio die Septembris* anno Domini *Millesimo Sexcentesimo Tricesimo sexto* et nostrae Translationis ad Episcopatum Dunelm. anno *quinto*.

THO. DUNELM

*Vicesimo quarto die Septembris An. Dom. 1636.*

Virtute et vigore harum Literarum Mandatarum retrospect. Ego *Gabriel Clarke* Sacrae Theologiae Professor. Archidiaconus Dunelm. executionem earundem



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earundem Literarum in me cum ea quæ decuit humilitate fuscipiens *Johannem Machon* Clericum in Artibus Magistrum ac Verbi Dei Prædicatorem in realem actualement et corporalem possessionem introscript. Hospitalis Christi de Sherburne cum omnibus suis Juribus Membris et Pertinentiis universis die et anno supradictis Induxi, præsentibus tunc et ibidem Testibus infra scriptis.

\* DAVID MILES

† GEO. SHAW

GAB. CLARKE

THO. LAYTON

ROGER CANE

ABRA. CLARK

† THO. BULLOCK *Notar. Pub.*

\* *Vicar of Bishopton and Chaplain of Sherburn Hospital.*

† *Vicar of Pittington.*

† *Registrary of the Diocese of Durham.*

## INVENTORY of STOCK.

*An INVENTORY of the Stock of Cattle, Plate, and Household Goods, belonging to Sherburn Hospital, delivered to John Machon the Master 24th. September 1636.*

**A**N INVENTORY TRIPARTITE Indented, of all the Stock of Goods, Cattle, Utensils, Plate, and Household Goods belonging to *Christs Hospital in Sherburne* nigh Durham in the County of Durham, made according to an Inventory thereof taken after the death of Master Doctor *Valentine Daile* sometime Master of the said Hospital, and now acknowledged by Mr. *John Machon* Clerk now Master of that Hospital, to be by him received, and to him satisfied from Mr. *David Miles* Clerk chief Agent to Master Doctor *Shaw* late Master of the said Hospital, and being delivered by the said *David Miles* according to this Inventory made and acknowledged, that *John Machon* his Executors Administrators or Assigns, at such time as he shall become not longer Master of the said Hospital, are to leave and deliver up the same for the Use of the next succeeding Master and Brethren there.

### *First CATTLE of diverse sorts.*

<i>Imprimis</i> , 43	Draught Oxen at 3£, a peice	—	—	—	129	0	0
4	Stots of 3 Years old at 24s.	—	—	—	4	16	0
21	Young Beasts of 2 Years old at 24s.	—	—	—	25	4	0
20	Kyne and 2 Bulls at 23s. 4d.	—	—	—	25	13	4
9	Kyne at 26s. 8d.	—	—	—	12	0	0
7	Mares at 30s 5d.	—	—	—	10	12	11
2	Filly's and 1 Colt 2 Years old at 26s. 8d.	—	—	—	4	0	0
1	Filly 1 Year old	—	—	—	0	10	0
1	Stoned Horfe	—	—	—	2	10	0
21	Calves of 1 Year old at 10s.	—	—	—	10	10	0
21	Score Ewes at 4£.	—	—	—	84	0	0
13	Score Hogs at 46s. 8d.	—	—	—	30	6	8
90	Weathers & 50 Tups at 4£. each Score.	—	—	—	28	0	0
	Old Swine and 10 Pigs	—	—	—	3	6	8

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And for the CORN appearing by the said Inventory after Master *Doctor Shaws* death to be left in the House of the succeeding Master, the said *John Machon* now acknowledgeth himself satisfied in that behalf, by a Monthly allowance of certain several Quantities of *Corn* and *Malt* from the entering of the said *John Machon* into the said Hospital, until Michaelmas next ensuing, according to certain Ordinances and Rules for the Master and Brethren of that Hospital, made and set down by the Right Reverend Father in God *TOBIE* late *Bishop of Duresme* under his Hand and Seal, bearing date the 16<sup>th</sup>. day of *April* in the Year of our Lord 1599, and in the first Year of his Lordships Consecration.

ITEM, all the Winter Corn and Spring Corn at the death of the said Master *Doctor Shaw*, sown and to be sown at the charges of the aforesaid *David Miles* (according to the Ordinances) upon the Lands in Tillage at *Byersgarth* and *Garmansloap*.

### *Household Stuff as follows.*

#### *In the Hall and Great Chamber.*

- 14 Tables and Boards.
- 6 Quishings.
- 4 Cup Towells.
- 4 Dressing Boards.
- 13 Forms.
- 6 Joined Stools.
- 11 Chests
- 11 Tressills.
- 1 Ambrie Cupbord or Side Table for Plate.
- 1 Porr of Iron.
- 1 Teaster Bed with Vallence of Green & Red with 5 Curtains.
- 1 Pair of Fire Tongs.
- 1 Sharn or Canabie.
- 1 Counter.
- 1 Round Table.

#### BEDDING.

- 1 Feather Bed.
- 30 Coverlids.
- 6 Mattraffes.
- 2 Coverings.
- 29 Blanketts.
- 3 Bowlsters.
- 6 Codd.
- 3 Codd Waiers.
- 39 Bed Stocks.

#### LINNEN.

- 11 Pair of Sheets.
- 6 Table Cloths of 6 Yards long a peice.
- 4 Towells.
- 12 Napkins.
- 2 Cupbord Cloths.

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## PEWTER & BRASS.

- 2 Laver Basons.
- 1 Chafer.
- 3 Candlesticks.
- 2 Boiling Pots.
- 3 Posnetts.
- 3 Great Pans.
- 2 Little Pans.
- 1 Great Furnace Pot.
- 1 Brazen Mortar & Pestal.
- 1 Laddle.
- 1 Scummer.
- 1 Chafing Dish.
- 12 Plates.
- 12 Dishes.
- 12 Sawcers.

## *In the BUTTERY.*

- 12 Silver Spoons.
- 1 Almorie Chest for Linnen.
- 1 Great Knife.
- 8 Leather Sacks.
- 12 Hogheads for Beer.
- 4 Dreeeping Tubs.
- 8 Cruses.
- 4 Wood Cans.

## *In the BREWHOUSE.*

- 1 Mash Fatt.
- 1 Brewing Lead.
- 1 Lead Trough.
- 2 Ale Tubs.
- 2 Kettles.
- 4 Basketts.
- 1 Cestern.
- 1 Long Trough.
- 2 Tubs.

## *In the LARDER.*

- 2 Oxen & an half in Salt.
- 4 Bacon Flicks.
- 1 Cestern of Lead to salt Beef in.
- 1 Slaughter.
- 1 Slaughter Ax.
- 1 Fleth Bill.

## *In the POULTRY.*

- 34 Capons.
- 41 Hens.
- 8 Cocks.
- 15 Geese.
- 1 Gander.
- 14 Ducks.
- 2 Drakes.

## *In the SMITHY.*

- 1 Smiths Stithy.
- 2 Working Hammers.
- 2 Shoeing Hammers.
- 1 Pair of Tongs.
- 1 Pair of Bellows.
- 1 Tool for Cart Nails.
- 1 Tool for Nails.
- 1 Tool for small Nails.

## *In the KITCHEN.*

- 1 Brand Iron.
- 2 Hand Irons.
- 1 Roasting Iron.
- 1 Iron Poaker.
- 1 Whetstone.
- 2 Pair of Pothooks.
- 3 Spitts.
- 1 Stone Mortar and Pestal.
- 1 Paifry Board.
- 1 Capon Coffer.
- 1 Steeping Tub.

1 Frying



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- 1 Frying Pan.
- 1 Dressing Knife.
- 1 Kitchen Knife.

*Item, a Communion Cup part gilt which Margaret Leaver Widow to Ralph Leaver late Master there did freely give to the Hospital for ever*

## *In the BOULTING HOUSE.*

- 1 Boulting Ark.
- 2 Tubs for leavening.
- 3 Moulding Boards.
- 2 Other Tubs.
- 1 Boulter.

## *In the STORE-HOUSE.*

- Hopps 3 Quarters of a Hundred.
- 8 Stone of Iron.
- 5 Pound of Lint.
- 3 Pound of Lintfeed.
- 4 Horfe Traces.
- 4 Wain Hoops of Iron.

- 1 Pair of Weights.
- 5 Hooks of Iron.
- 6 Bowls.
- 2 Skeels.
- 1 Brand Iron.
- 2 Pair Wool Cards.
- 1 Spinning Wheel.
- 2 Heckles for Line.

## WAINS & PLOWS.

- 5 Coop Wains.
- 5 Long Wains.
- 5 Plows.

## *At GARMANDSWAY.*

- 1 Brass Cauldron.
- 1 Brass Kettle.

## *In the KILL-HOUSE.*

- 1 Lead Steep.
- 1 Kill Hair Cloth.
- 1 Iron Chimney.

ALSO, the said *John Machon* now Master of the said Hospital, doth acknowledge himself to have received of the aforesaid *David Miles* the Sum of *Twenty Pounds* of Currant Money of England, besides the aforesaid Stock of Cattle and Goods, according to an Order set down by the Right Reverend Father *WILLIAM Lord Bishop of Duresme* for the Consideration then mentioned; which said Sum of *Twenty Pounds* he the said *John Machon* doth acknowledge, and himself promise for him his Executors Administrators and Assigns to leave the same to the Use of the succeeding Master and Brethren at what time soever he shall become not Master of the said Hospiatl.

## MASTER'S PETITION

TO the KING'S most Excellent MAJESTY.

*THE humble Petition of JOHN MACHON Clerk, Master of Christ's Hospitall in SHERBORN neer Durham, in the County Palatine of Durham.*

*SHEWETH,*

THAT the said Hospitall of SHERBORN is an Ecclesiastical Promotion Presentative with Cure of Soules; That by the Foundation, the Master is to be a Minister in Holy Orders, and not to have the Cure of Soules elsewhere; That your Petitioner is a Minister in Holy Orders, and was by *Bishop Morton* the undoubted Patron collated and legally inducted into the said Hospitall, and legally possessed thereof for the space of Seaven Yeares and upward; That *Sir William Ermyne* and the other Commissioners from the then Parliament to invite the Scots into England, gave a Note under their Hands (without Order or Vote of the House of Commons or Lords) to put one *John Fenwick* a Tradesman in Newcastle (and Guide to the Scottish Army into England) to be Master of the said Hospitall, not taking notice that there was a Master in being, or that Master was a Delinquent: That your Petitioner was by the Souldiers under colour of the said Order violently pull'd out and dispossessed of the said Hospitall; That the said *John Fenwick* gott an Order from the late Usurper *Oliver Cromwell* to put his Sonne *John Fenwick* a Layman likewise to be Master there: That your Petitioner demanded Justice of the five next Justices to putt your Petitioner into Possession of his said Hospitall, according to the tenor of a Statute made last Parliament by your sacred Majestie, but was utterly denied, by meanes whereof your Petitioner being very poore, and kept out of his Hospitall these 18 Yeares, and not able otherwise to right himsele in Law;

HE humbly beseeches that your Majestie would be graciously pleased to referre the Consideration hereof to the Right Reverend Father in God the  
Lord



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Lord *Bishop of Duresme*, Lord Governor also of the said County to see that Justice be effectually administred, and your Petitioner put into Possession againe of his said Hospitall according to Law,

And he shall pray &c.

*Att the Court at Whitehall March the 4th. 1660.*

*HIS Majesty is most graciously pleased to referre this Petition to the Lord Bishop of Durham, to consider and signify to his Majesty what his Lordship conceives fitt to be done therein, and then his Majesty will declare his further Pleasure.*

EDW. NICHOLAS

May it please your sacred Majestie,

I know that the Hospitall of SHERBORN is an Ecclesiastical Promotion in my Diocesse, and am well assured that all the other Contents of this Petition are true, and that Oath will be tendred that your Petitioner hath demanded Possession of the next Justices according to the Statute made by your Majestie this last Parliament, and hath beene denyed the same: That *Sir Thomas Davison* the Sheriffe hath power ( after such refusall ) by the said Act to establish Possession; which is humbly submitted to your Majesties gracious consideration, to lay your Majesties Commands upon the Sheriffe, to remove the Intruder and to see your Petitioner have Justice done and reinvested into his antient right.

March 6. 1660.

JO. DURESME.

ORDER concerning Maimed Seamen and Soldiers.

*The ORDER of Bishop Cofin's to John Machon Master of Sherburn Hospital to admit none but Maimed Seamen and Soldiers into the Hospital, pursuant to an Order of the King and Council. 7th. August 1666.*

**W**HEREAS his Majesty of his Princely Care and Tenderneſs towards thoſe who in his Wars have expoſed their Lives at Sea, in his and their Country's Service, and have therein either by loſs of Limbs or otherwiſe been rendered unable to gain a Livelyhood for the future; having amongſt other comfortable Proviſions deſigned for their Releif and Subſiſtance, directed and commanded, that the Alms Mens Places in all the Hospitals within this Kingdom, which are at preſent or ſhall become void, be preſerved and kept for ſuch as are or ſhall be ſo maimed as aforeſaid.

THEſe are therefore by expreſs Order from his Majesty and his moſt honorable Privy Council, to require You in his Majesties name, not to diſpoſe of any Alms Mans or Brothers Place or Places which are or ſhall be vacant in your Hospital, to any Perſon or Perſons whatſoever, but that You reſerve the ſame with all neceſſary Accomodations thereunto belonging, for the releif and ſupport of ſuch maimed Seamen and Soldiers as ſhall be ſent unto You from his Majesties Commiſſioners for ſick and wounded Men ( whoſe Names are hereunder ſet down ) to whom You are to give ſpeedy Notice of any ſuch Place that is or ſhall become void in your Hospital, and further to ſignify to You, that if You ſhall after the Receipt hereof fill any vacant Place or Places with any other Perſon or Perſons, You will not only thereby incur his Majesties Diſpleaſure, but his Majesty will cauſe ſuch Perſon or Perſons to be removed to make room for ſuch maimed Seamen. Given at Auckland Caſtle the Seventh Day of Auguſt in the Eighteenth Year of his Majesties Reign



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Reign, Annoq; Dom. *One Thousand Six Hundred and Sixty Six.*

*To Mr. John Machon Master of Christs  
Hospital in Sherburne in the County of  
Durham, who is desired to give me Notice  
of the Receipt hereof, so soon as it comes  
to his Hands.*

JO. DURESME.

*The Commissioners for maimed Seamen.*

*The Earl of Manchester*

*The Lord Craven*

*Sir George Carteret*

*The Lord Arlington*

*Sir William Morrice*

*The Lord Hollis*

*Sir John Nicholas*

BISHOP CREWE'S ORDER.

*The ORDER or Allowance of Bishop Crewe for John Machon Master of Sherburn Hospital, to leave only 220<sup>l</sup>. Value in Cattle, Hay, Corn, Stock in Husbandry, and Silver Plate, on account of his great losses in the late Rebellious times. 13<sup>th</sup>. September 1676*

**N**ATHANIEL by Divine Providence Lord Bishop of Durham, To all to whom these Presents shall come Greeting: WHEREAS by the Foundation of Christs Hospital in Sherburne near Durham, the Bishop of Durham for the time being hath settled upon him the Donation of the place and power of a Visitor there; and forasmuch as diverse Orders and Decrees as to the Estate and Government of that Hospital have formerly been made, and particularly by the Reverend Father in God *Toby Matthews* then Bishop of Durham, all which have never since (by disuse and the employment of *Garmanfway* parcell of the Estate of the same Hospital, to the far and more greater advantage and emolument of the House) been observed, and of all which there can be no recovery by any search or enquiry in or by our Registry at Durham, nor yet in the said Hospital (the House in the late time of Rebellion being plundered, and the Foundation thereof and diverse other Muniments belonging to the same Hospital destroyed and taken away) and because *John Machon* Clerk the present Master, from a good Conscience and much Ingenuity hath acknowledged to Us the Order for Diet for the Brethren all the Year long, and likewise of the holy Service of God there duly and daily to be performed: And forasmuch as the said *John Machon* now Master, as We are (beyond all exception) informed, hath suffered great losses and ruins, and about seventeen Years Banishment from the Estate of the said Hospital, for his fidelity to God and the Church, and his loyalty to our late Sovereign Lord King Charles the First (the holy Martyr.)

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WE therefore, *Nathaniel* by the grace of God present Bishop of Durham deeply apprehending the Condition of the present Master the said *John Machon*, upon these and diverse other reasons and considerations in this our primary Visitation of the same Hospital, and the said Master and Brethren thereof, held the day of the date hereof; DO hereby Ordain, Order, and Decree, that the said *John Machon* the present Master of Christs Hospital in Sherburne near Durham, shall only leave to his Successor the Sum of *Two Hundred Pounds* in Cattle, and Hay and Corn, and Husbandry Geer, upon the Ground for the said Hospital or in the Garners thereof, as also the addition of *Twenty Pounds* in Plate, one dozen of Silver Spoons, and a Communion Cup of Silver worth *Ten Pounds*, all which he carefully preserved in the late Rebellious times, tho' he lost all besides, which Sum of *Two Hundred and Twenty Pounds* in Stock and Plate, is to be made up by the Appraisalment and Valuation of three or four credible and sufficient Men skillful in that Affair; and this our Ordinance, Decree, and Order, concerning the Stock to be left by the said *John Machon* present Master, We make firm strong and valid. Given under our Hand and Seal the *Thirteenth* day of *September*, in the sixth Year of our Consecration, and of our Translation the second, and in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Six Hundred and Seventy Six*.

*Scaled in the Presence of*

N. DURESME 

JOHN A' COURT *Notary Publick*

THO. BLAKISTON *Notary Publick*

*John Machon was buried in the Chappel of Sherburn Hospital the 16th. day of December 1679.*

GRANT of the right of Donation of Thornley Brothers Place.

*The CHARTER Grant and Conveyance from John Trollop Esquire to John Spearman Esquire his Heirs and Assigns, (inter alia) of the Donation Presentation right of Patronage and free Disposition of the Place of Thornley Brother in Sherburn Hospital. 4th. Dec. 1679:*

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos hoc præsens scriptum indentatam pervenerit; *Johannes Trollop* nuper de Thornley in Parochia de Kellaw in Comitatu Palatino Dunelmensi Armiger, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Noveritis me præfat. *Johannem Trollop* pro diversis bonis et rationabilibus causis et considerationibus me ad hoc specialiter moventibus; et precipue in consideratione quinque solidorum mihi præ manibus solutorum, ac in parte performance quarundam Conventionum per me in hac parte (debito modo) nuper factarum, dedisse concessisse et hac præsentī cartā mea pro me hæredibus et assignatis meis et eorum quolibet libere relaxasse et confirmasse dilecto mihi in Christo *Johanni Spearman* de Thornley prædict. Generoso vero et legitimo Domino Manerii sive Dominii de Thornley prædict. (in plena et pacifica possessione sua legitime existen.) et hæredibus et assignatis suis, Totam illam Porticum Borealem vocat. Thornley Porch in Ecclesia Parochiali de Kelloe prædict. cum suis juribus et pertinentiis universis, necnon totam Donationem Præsentationem Jus Patronatus et liberam Dispositionem unius Fraternitatis sive loci unius Fratris et alia Jura et Privilegia quæcunque mea et hæredum meorum in Hospitali Christi in Shereburne prope Dunelm. ac plenam potestatem et totum jus meum et hæredum meorum præsentandi unum Fratrem sive Personam idoneam quem idem *Johannes Spearman* hæredes aut assignati sui voluerint seu eorum aliquis voluerit in dicto Hospitali, ac ad locum Pension. Commensalem et alia Proficua unius Fratris in eodem Hospitali.

Habend.



## S H E R B U R N   H O S P I T A L

Habend. et percipiend. cum suis Juribus et Membris universis donare assignare nominare et præsentare de tempore in tempus et vice in vicem cum et quam cito locum illum Fratris prædicti per mortem, resignationem, privationem, cessionem, dimissionem, permutationem, aut alio quocunque modo imposterum vacare contigerit. Cæteraque omnia et singula in et circa nominationem et præsentationem unius Fratris sive Personæ idoneæ ad locum unius Fratrum et alia præmissa in Hospitali prædicto in futuris de vice in vicem imperpetuum facere exequi et implere in tam amplis et beneficiabilibus modo et forma quam ego prænominatus *Johannes Trollop* aut hæredes mei in præmissis facere possemus si hæc concessio mea non fuisset. Habend. tenend. et exercend. tam Porticum prædictam quam Donationem seu Præsentationem unius Fratris in Hospitali prædicto, necnon omnia alia privilegia et præmissa quæcunque prædicta cum eorum juribus et pertinentiis universis præfato *Johanni Spearman* hæredibus et assignatis suis imperpetuum absq; alia variatione reclamatione perturbatione seu demanda quacunque per me vel hæredes meos imposterum facienda. Et ulterius Ego prænominatus *Johannes Trollop* ac hæredes et assignati mei et eorum quilibet Porticum ac Donationem et cætera præmissa prædicta cum suis pertinentiis præfato *Johanni Spearman* hæredibus et assignatis suis contra omnes gentes warrantizabimus et imperpetuum defendemus per præsentem. In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum meum huic chartæ meæ apposui, Dat. apud Thornley prædict. Quarto die Decembris anno Regni Serenissimi Domini *Caroli* secundi Dei gratia nunc Angliæ Scotiæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ Regis Fidei Defensoris &c. tricesimo primo annoque Domini (Stilo Anglicano) Millesimo Sexcentesimo Septuagesimo nono.

Signat. Sigillat. et Deliberat. }  
in præsentia nostrum. - - - }


ELIZABETH SPEARMAN

Signum

MARIÆ  BROUGH

ROB. SPEARMAN

THO. TEASDAILE

JOHN TROLLOP 

**CERTIFICATE** *of the Deprivation of Thornley Brother.*

**MEMORANDUM** quod idem *Johannes Trollop* Armiger (virtute Commissionis dicti Domini Regis nunc extra Cancellariam Dunelmensem emanantis nobis et aliis directæ) coram nobis apud Thornley prædictam *Vicesimo nono die Martii* anno regni dicti Domini Regis tricesimo secundo, personaliter constitutus recognovit hanc Chartam indentatam esse factum suum et petiit illam irrotulari in Rotulis clausis Cancellariæ Dunelmensis juxta formam Statuti in hujusmodi casu nuper editi et provisi.

Coram nobis

**JOHN TROLLOP**

**JOHANNES MILLER**

**CUTHBERTO SISSON**

Irrot. in Rotul. claus. Cancellariæ Dunelmensis *xiiij die Maii* anno regni Regis infra scripti *xxij.* Per

**CROSBY**

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*The CERTIFICATE of the Master and Brethren of Sherburn Hospital, to John Spearman Esquire, of the Deprivation of John Lawes (Thornley Brother) for Recusancy and being a Papist convict, and for Mr. Spearman to present another in his place.*

*4th. August 1682.*

**J**OHANNES MOUNTAGUE Sacræ Theologiæ Professor  
Magister et Fratres Hospitalis Christi in Shereburne prope Dunelmum in Comitatu Dunelmensi. Dilecto nobis in Christo *Johanni Spearman* Generoso Proprietario et Possessori Manerii et Capitalis Messuagii de Thornlaw infra Parochiam de Kellow in Comitatu prædicto Salutem in Domino. Tibi tenore præsentium



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præsentium significamus et certificamus quod *Johannes Lawes* unus nuper ex Fratribus infra Hospitale Christi in Sherburne prædict. (alias antehac pleno jure præsentatus ad idem Hospitale sive Fraternitatem in eodem per *Johannem Trollop* Armigerum nuper Proprietarium præfatorum Manerii et Capitalis Messuagii de Thornley) fuit et erat pro Recusantia sua et ut Papista recusans convictus per Reverendum in Christo Patrem et Dominum Dominum *Nathanaelem* Providentia Divina Dunelmensem Episcopum in Visitatione sua ordinaria in nos Magistrum et Fratres prædictos tenta apud Sherburne prædictam quarto die mensis Augusti instantis rite et legitime a dicto Hospitali sive Fraternitate absolute et totaliter suspensus et deprivatus locumque ejusdem *Johannis Lawes* in dicto Hospitali idem Reverendus Pater vacantem esse pronunciavit et decrevit ac ad præsens vacans existit.

Ideoque Te rogamus quatenus aliam Personam idoneam ad eundem locum in dicto Hospitali (ut præfertur) vacantem et modo ad tuam Præsentationem in pleno jure spectantem præsentare non omittas.

In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum nostrum Commune (quo in hac parte utimur) præsentibus apposuimus. Dat. quinto die mensis Augusti anno regni Regis Domini nostri *Caroli* secundi Dei gratia Angliæ Scotiæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ Fidei Defensoris &c. tricesimo quarto annoque Domini Millefimo sexcentesimo octogesimo secundo.

ROBERTUS DELAVAL




Vice Magister

COLLATION of a Thornley Brother.

*The COLLATION of Thomas Noble to the place of Thornley Brother by John Spearman Esquire, vacant by the Deprivation of John Lawes for Recusancy &c. 7th. August 1682.*

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos hoc præfens scriptum pervenerit, et præcipue Venerabili Viro *Johanni Mountague* Sacræ Theologiæ Professori, Magistro ac Fratribus Hospitalis Christi in Shereburne prope Dunelmum in Comitatu Palatino Dunelmensi. *Johannes Spearman* de Thornlaw in Parochia de Kellow in eodem Comitatu Generosus, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Sciatis quod Ego præfatus *Johannes Spearman* quendam *Thomam Noble* de Aukland Episcopi in Comitatu prædicto Labourer, ad locum unius Fratrum Hospitalis prædicti quondam in possessione cujusdam *Randal White* defuncti (modo vacantem per deprivationem *Johannis Lawes* ultimi Incumbentis sive Possessoris dicti loci sive Fraternitatis) ac ad Donationem et Collationem meam pleno jure spectantem, per præfentes nomino colloco admitto et instituo, infra dictum Hospitale residere et sustineri sicut unum Fratrum inde, omniaque alia Jura Pensiones Proficua et Privilegia ad inde pertinentia vel consueta; habendum et percipiendum sibi durante vita sua naturali juxta Leges Statuta Consuetudines et Libertates ejusdem Hospitalis.

In cujus rei testimonium præsentibus Sigillum meum apposui. Data apud Thornlaw prædictam *septimo die Augusti* anno regni Domini *Caroli secundi* Dei gratia nunc Angliæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ Regis tricesimo quarto annoq; Domini 1682.

JO. SPEARMAN 




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*The COLLATION of Henry Bolron to the place of Thornley Brother in Sherburn Hospital by John Spearman Esquire, vacant by the death of Thomas Noble. 14th. January 1692.*

**O**MNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos hoc præfens scriptum pervenerit et præcipue Venerabili Viro *Johanni Mountague* Sacræ Theologiæ Professori, Magistro et Fratribus Hospitalis Christi in Sherburne prope Dunelmum in Comitatu Palatino Dunelmensi. *Johannes Spearman* de Thornlaw in Parochia de Kellow in eodem Comitatu Generosus, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Sciatis, quod ego præfatus *Johannes Spearman* quendam *Henricum Bolron* de Hetton in la hole in Comitatu prædicto Labourer, ad locum unius Fratrum Hospitalis prædicti (modo vacantem per mortem *Thomæ Noble* ultimi Incumbentis sive Possessoris dicti loci sive Fraternitatis, ac ad Donationem et Collationem meam pleno jure spectantem) per præfentes nomino colloco admitto et instituo infra dictum Hospitale residere et sustineri sicut unum Fratrum inde, omniaque alia Jura Pensiones Proficua et Privilegia ad inde pertinentia vel consueta. habendum et percipiendum sibi durante vita sua naturali juxta Leges Statuta Consuetudines et Libertates ejusdem Hospitalis. In cujus rei testimonium præsentibus Sigillum meum apposui, Data apud Thornlaw prædictam *decimo quarto die Januarii* anno regni Domini *Willielmi* et Dominae *Mariæ* Dei gratia nunc Angliæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ Regis et Reginae quarto annoque Domini 1692.

*Testibus præsentibus.*

JO. SPEARMAN 

ROB. SPEARMAN  
JOHN SPEARMAN *Jun.*  
G. SPEARMAN  
ROB. SMITH  
JO. JOPLING

## BISHOP CREWE'S ORDERS and RULES.

ORDERS and RULES made by Bishop Crewe on his Visitation of Sherburn Hospital, for the Government thereof, in the time of Dr. John Mountague Master of the said Hospital. 1703.

**W**E Order and appoint, that the Chaplain of the said Hospital be diligent in reading daily the Morning and Evening Prayers, according to the Book of Common Prayer in the Chappel there, at the usual hours; and that the Inn Brethren be constantly present at the beginning, unless they be really sick or unable to come, or be employed about the affairs of the said Hospital, by the appointment of the Master or his Officers; and whosoever shall offend herein, for the first omission he shall want a Days Meat or Diet, for the second three Days Diet, and for the third omission he shall be suspended from all Profits in the said Hospital, untill the Master shall think fit to restore him. And also We require the Chaplain to administer the Holy Communion at least three times in the Year (to wit) at Christmas, Easter, and Whitsuntide, and if any of the Inn Brethren (without a reasonable cause) shall be absent from the Holy Sacrament, they shall be admonished by the Master, and if they continue to neglect that Holy Ordinance, they shall upon just complaint to their Bishop or Visitor, be punished as he shall think fit, Provided always, that the said deductions of their Profits and Diet for such Offences, be distributed amongst the other Brethren who are not Offenders.

2. Whereas the Master at our request (tho' not obliged) hath promised to bestow Gowns this Year on all the Inn Brethren; We do hereby Order and appoint, that the said Brethren constantly appear in these Gowns at Divine Service Morning and Evening in the Chappel, upon every Sunday and other Holydays, and upon the Eves of the same.



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3. We Order and appoint, that the Master of the said Hospital, who hitherto hath paid and allowed according to Custom, only *Twenty Shillings* Yearly to every Inn Brother, shall instead thereof, henceforth pay and allow to every such Brother *Thirty Shillings* Yearly, the first Quarterly payment is to be made at Christmas next ensuing, and be continued and paid in such proportions, as the said *Twenty Shillings* hath hitherto been usually paid and delivered.
4. We Order and appoint, that henceforth every Inn Brother have the same allowance of Flesh Meat and Diet upon Tuesdays, in like manner and in the same quantities and proportion, as they have hitherto had upon Thursdays and Sundays; and also in the time of Lent, they shall have twice a Week (viz.) on Sundays and Thursdays Flesh Meat, in the same proportion as they have on those days out of Lent.
5. We Order and appoint, that instead of one Pound and a half of Cheese, hitherto given to every Inn Brother weekly out of Lent, and one Pound in the time of Lent; every such Brother shall hereafter have two Pounds of Cheese weekly out of Lent, and one Pound and half for every Brother in Lent, weekly to be distributed to them every Monday, and also the Small Beer shall have two old Bushells of Malt allowed to every Hoghead.
6. We Order and appoint, that the Master shall allow to every Inn Brother hereafter to be admitted, at his entrance, *Twenty Shillings*, towards his providing himself with Bedding.
7. We Order and appoint, that every Inn Brother shall have Two Fodders or Wain load of Coals for his own particular Fire, to be laid in at Michaelmas Yearly, over and above the allowance of Coals for their Common Fire.
8. We Order and appoint, that the full number of Inn Brethren viz fifteen shall be maintained according to the above allowances; and also that one  
Woman

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Woman Servant shall constantly reside within the House, to attend upon and assist the said Brethren in their lodgings and other necessities, and this at the Masters charge.

9. We Order and appoint, that none of the Inn Brethren presume to depart from, or be absent at any time out of the Precincts of the said Hospital, or the Demesnes thereof, on any occasion whatsoever, without the especial licence of the Master himself if present, or of his Chaplain or Agent in his absence, upon pain of losing one days Diet for the first time, and two days for the second time, and of suspension for the third time, during the Masters pleasure, and these several Penalties to be divided among such of the Inn Brethren as are not Offenders.

Lastly, We Order and appoint, that henceforth, no Person having a Wife, or who is not born within the County of Durham, shall be admitted as an Inn Brother in the said Hospital, and that before the Admission of every such Brother (who shall be also otherwise qualified according to the Statutes of the said Hospital) he shall be presented to the Bishop of Durham for the time being if present, or in his absence to his Lordships Commissioners, to be sworn to the due Observation of the Statutes thereof, within fifteen days next after every Vacancy and Nomination of another by the Master for the time being.

If any of these Orders be disobeyed by the Master, or any under him, the Person offending, shall be censured as his Lordship shall think fit.

We cannot conclude, without doing the present Master thus much Right and Justice, as to let the Brethren know, that he is as willing to comply with these Statutes and Orders, as We or You can desire, and that if We had charged more, he would not have thought too much for such a Work of Piety and Charity.

N. DURESME



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*The ORDER and Consent of Bishop Crewe, that Dr. Mountague Master of Sherburn Hospital shall not be obliged to leave more than 200£. Stock to his Successor. 9th. July 1720.*

**N**ATHANIEL LORD CREWE Lord Bishop of Durham, To all to whom these Presents shall come Greeting: Whereas it was represented to me by the Reverend *Mr. John Machon* late Master of Sherburn Hospital, that the Master of the said Hospital was obliged to leave Stock upon it to the Value of *Four Hundred Pounds*;

And Whereas I was pleased, in consideration of the Sufferings of the said *John Machon*, for his Loyalty in the time of the late great Rebellion, to remit to him *Two Hundred* of the said *Four Hundred Pounds*, and consequently the Reverend *Dr. John Mountague* his immediate Successor and now Dean of Durham, entered but upon Stock to the Value of *Two Hundred Pounds*;

Now these are to certify, that I the said Lord Bishop of Durham, upon the request of the said *Dr. Mountague*, have granted and consented, and I do by these Presents in like manner grant and consent, that he the said *Doctor Mountague* his Heirs and Executors, shall not be obliged to leave any more Stock, than to the Value of *Two Hundred Pounds*, which he entered upon.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal this *ninth* day of *July* One Thousand Seven Hundred and Twenty.

N. DURESME CREWE ❀

*Test.* RICH. GREY *Notary Publick*

❀ Bishop Crewe died 18th. September 1721.

Dr. Mountague died 23d. February 1727.

CERTIFICATE of the Death of Thornley Brother.

The CERTIFICATE of the Master and Brethren of Sherburne Hospital, to Gilbert Spearman Esquire, on the death of Henry Bolron (Thornley Brother) requiring him to present another. 1716.

**J**OHANNES MOUNTAGUE Sacre Theologie Professori  
Magister et Fratres Hospitalis Christi in Sherburne prope Dunelmum.  
Dilecto nobis in Christo *Gilberto Spearman* de Civitate Dunelmensi Armiger  
filio *Johannis Spearman* nuper de Thornlaw in Parochia de Kellow prædicta  
Generosi defuncti, Proprietario et Possessori Manerii et Capitalis Messuagii  
in Thornlaw in Parochia de Kellow in Comitatu prædicto salutem in Dom-  
ino. Tibi tenore præsentium significamus et certificamus quod *Henricus Bolron*  
nunc nuper ex Fratribus infra Hospitale Christi in Sherburne prædict.  
(alias ante hac pleno jure præsentatus ad idem Hospitale sive Fraternitatem  
in eodem per prædict. *Johannem Spearman* nuper Proprietarius prædictor-  
um Manerii et Capitalis Messuagii de Thornlaw) mortuus est, locumque  
eiusdem *Henrici Bolron* in dicto Hospitali ad præsens vacans existit.

Idcoque a Te rogamus quatenus aliam Personam idoneam ad eundem lo-  
cum in dicto Hospitali (ut præfertur) vacantem et modo ad tuam Præsenta-  
tionem pleno jure spectantem præsentare non omittas.

In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum nostrum Commune (quo in hac parte  
utimur) præsentibus apposuimus. Dat.        die mensis        anno regni  
Domini nostri *Georgii* Dei gratia Magnæ Britanniae Franciæ et Hiberniæ Regis  
secundo, annoque Domini 1716.

CAROLUS ATKINSON

Vice Magister



SHERBURN HOSPITAL

*The COLLATION of Edward Arrowsmith to the place of  
Thornley Brother in Sherburn Hospital, by Gilbert Spearman  
Esquire, vacant by the death of Henry Bolron. 1716.*

OMNIBUS Christi fidelibus ad quos hoc præfens scriptum pervenerit, et præcipue Venerabili Viro *Johanni Mountague* Sacræ Theologiæ Professori, Magistro et Fratribus Hospitalis Christi in Shereburne prope Dunelmum in Comitatu Palatino Dunelmenfi, *Gilbertus Spearman* de Civitate Dunelmenfi in Com. Dunelm. prædicto Armiger, filius *Johannis Spearman* nuper de Thornlaw in Parochia de Kellow in eodem Comitatu Generosi defuncti, salutem in Domino sempiternam, Sciatis, quod Ego præfatus *Gilbertus Spearman* quendam *Edwardum Arrowsmith* de Thornlaw prædicta Yeoman ad locum unius Fratrum Hospitalis prædicti quondam in possessione cujusdam *Randal White* defuncti (modo vacantem per mortem *Henrici Bolron* ultimi Incumbentis five Possessoris dicti loci five Fraternitatis, ac ad Donationem et Collationem meam pleno jure spectantem) per præfentes nomino colloco admitto et instituo, infra dictum Hospitale residere et sustineri sicut unum Fratrum inde; omniaque alia Jura, Pensiones, Proficua, Cameras, et Privilegia, ad inde pertinentia vel consueta, habendum et percipiendum sibi durante vita sua naturali juxta Leges Statuta Consuetudines et Libertates ejusdem Hospitalis. In cujus rei testimonium Sigillum meum apposui  
Data apud Dunelm.                      die mensis                      anno regni Domini  
nostri *Georgii* Dei gratia Magnæ Britanniæ Franciæ et Hiberniæ Regis secundo, annoque Domini 1716.

G. SPEARMAN

MONITION of collating a Thornley Brother.


*The MONITION of Gilbert Spearman Esquire to the Master of Sherburn Hospital, of his having collated Edward Arrowsmith to the place of Thornley Brother in the said Hospital. 1716.*


VENERABILI *Johanni Mountague* Sacrae Theologiae Professori, Magistro et Fratribus Hospitalis Christi in Sherburne prope Dunelmum in Comitatu Dunelmensi, salutem in Domino sempiternam. Sciatis, quod Ego *Gilbertus Spearman* de Civitate Dunelm. in Comitatu Dunelm. praedict. Armiger, filius *Johannis Spearman* nuper de Thornlaw in Parochia de Kellow in Com. Dunelm. praedict. Generosus nuper defuncti, ad locum unius Fratrum Hospitalis praedicti infra dictum Hospitale residere et sustineri (modo vacantem per mortem *Henrici Bolron* ultimi Incumbentis sive Possessoris dicti loci sive Fraternitatis, ac ad Praesentationem Donationem et Collationem meam pleno jure spectantem) quendam *Edwardum Arrowsmith* de Thornlaw praedicta per praesentes nomino colloco admitto et instituo ipsum *Edwardum Arrowsmith* ad eundem locum sive Fraternitatem in Hospitali praedicto nomino colloco admitto instituo et induco cum suis Juribus et Proficuis universis caeteraque perimplere, quae vobis in hac parte incumbunt. In cujus rei testimonium praesentibus Sigillum meum apposui, Data apud Dunelm.

die mensis

anno regni Domini nostri *Georgii* Dei gratia

Magna Britanniae Franciae et Hiberniae Regis secundo, annoque Domini 1716.

G. SPEARMAN 

 1730 Dec. 5. William Carr collated to the place of Thornley Brother in Sherburn Hospital (in the time of Dr. Thomas Rundle Master) by Gilb. Spearman Esqr. vacant by the death of Edward Arrowsmith.



# SHERBURN HOSPITAL

*The Quarterly Accounts and Payments of Dr. Mountague Master  
of Sherburn Hospital for the Year 1726.*

## RECEIPTS.

|           |       |            |           |          |
|-----------|-------|------------|-----------|----------|
| Candlemas | _____ | 121.       | 8.        | 11       |
| Mayday    | _____ | 156.       | 8.        | 7        |
| Lammas    | _____ | 186.       | 14.       | 11       |
| Martinmas | _____ | 151.       | 16.       | 3        |
|           |       | <u>616</u> | <u>8.</u> | <u>8</u> |

## PAYMENTS.

|                                                                                                                     |       |       |             |           |          |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|-------|-------------|-----------|----------|
| The annual deductions and expences of<br>the Brethren, Curate &c.                                                   | _____ | _____ | 112.        | 13.       | 4        |
| To an Ox for the Bishops                                                                                            |       |       | 10.         | 0.        | 0        |
| To the Prescriptive Rent                                                                                            | _____ | _____ | 3.          | 10.       | 0        |
|                                                                                                                     |       |       | <u>126.</u> | <u>3.</u> | <u>4</u> |
| The clear Income to the Master besides<br>Fines on renewal of Leases for Lives<br>& Years as they drop and fall in. | _____ | _____ | 490.        | 5.        | 4        |
|                                                                                                                     |       |       | <u>616.</u> | <u>8.</u> | <u>8</u> |

# LAND REVENUES in 1717.

A RENTAL of the Lands and Tyths of Sherburn Hospital  
in the Year 1717. Dr. Mountague Master.

## LAND RENTS.

|                                                         |   |   |     |    |   |
|---------------------------------------------------------|---|---|-----|----|---|
| John Woodifield for a Farm at Garmonfway                | — | — | 100 | 0  | 0 |
| Robert Hutchinson for a Farm at Garmonfway              | — |   | 87  | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas Haffwell for a Farm at Garmonfway                | — | - | 67  | 0  | 0 |
| Ralph Bird for a Farm at Garmonfway                     | — | — | 27  | 15 | 0 |
| Thomas Fatherley's Farm nigh Sherburne                  | — | — | 38  | 12 | 0 |
| John Kirton's Farm nigh Sherburne house                 | — | — | 52  | 0  | 0 |
| Mark Pickering's Farm nigh Sherburne house              | — | — | 21  | 0  | 0 |
| Thomas Brafs and his Son for Whitewell house            | — | — | 15  | 0  | 0 |
| John Day for a Close at Byars garth                     | — | — | 6   | 0  | 0 |
| Robert Johnson for an Out-Rent out of Ebchester         | — |   | 16  | 5  | 4 |
| Sir William Blacket out of Lands at Bedburne            | — |   | 4   | 0  | 0 |
| Thomasine Busby out of Lands at Kelloe                  | — | — | 1   | 0  | 0 |
| John Woodifield out of Lands at Whitton                 | — | — | 2   | 11 | 8 |
| Nicholas Swainston out of Lands at Whitton              | — | — | 2   | 11 | 8 |
| Mr. Searl out of Lands at Whitton                       | — | — | 2   | 11 | 8 |
| Will. Dickefon & Chr. Ovington for Lands at Byars garth |   |   | 3   | 10 | 0 |
| Will. Thompson for a Close at Sherburne house           | — |   | 1   | 0  | 0 |

## WHITTON Hay Tyth.

|                       |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|-----------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Thomas Hutchinson     | — | — | — | 0 | 1 | 6 |
| John Chipchase        | — | — | — | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| Gilbert Spearman Esq. | — | — | — | 0 | 2 | 0 |

Carried over 448 2 0



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Brought over 448 12 0

## CORN Tyth Rents.

|                                               |       |   |    |    |   |
|-----------------------------------------------|-------|---|----|----|---|
| Thomas Davison Esquire for Thorpe Thewles     | —     | — | 14 | 1  | 4 |
| Mr. Anthony Salvin for Sockburn and Bishopton | —     |   | 15 | 16 | 8 |
| Mr. William Wilkinfon                         | ————— |   | 7  | 10 | 0 |
| Mrs. Davison for Winyard                      | .     | . | 2  | 3  | 4 |
| Mr. Laurence Tatham for Bishopton             | .     | . | 3  | 6  | 8 |
| Mrs. Todd for Stillington                     | .     | . | 2  | 13 | 4 |
| Mrs. Kennett for part of Coxhae               | .     | . | 2  | 13 | 4 |
| Cassop Township                               | .     | . | 4  | 2  | 8 |
| Mr. Forcer for Town of Kelloe                 | .     | . | 3  | 17 | 4 |
| Robert Hopper for Quarrington                 | .     | . | 3  | 0  | 4 |

## Tyth WOOL and LAMB.

|                                |   |   |    |    |   |
|--------------------------------|---|---|----|----|---|
| John Cornforth for Quarrington | . | . | 24 | 0  | 0 |
| John Chipchase for Whitten     | . | . | 13 | 0  | 0 |
| George Clayton for Bishopton   | . | . | 6  | 0  | 0 |
| John Bankes for Sockburne      | . | . | 5  | 0  | 0 |
| John Robinson for Stillington  | . | . | 1  | 10 | 0 |

## PRESCRIPTIONS and HOUSE RENTS.

|                                                    |   |   |   |    |   |
|----------------------------------------------------|---|---|---|----|---|
| Mr. Gilbert Spearman a Prescript Rent for Thornley | . | . | 1 | 13 | 4 |
| Mr. Baker a Prescript Rent for                     | . | . | 0 | 19 | 0 |
| Mr. Grey a House Rent in Durham                    | . | . | 0 | 5  | 0 |
| Mr. Hindmarsh a House Rent in Gateshead            | . | . | 0 | 2  | 8 |
| Mr. Hagdon's House                                 | . | . | 0 | 2  | 8 |
| Mr. Gascoigne's House                              | . | . | 0 | 11 | 8 |

The Demefne Lands per Annum

560 1 4  
160 0 0

720 1 4

Fines for Renewal of Leases

# HOUSE EXPENCES in 1686.

HOUSE EXPENCES *and the Dieting and Washing Sixteen Inn Brethren and a Chaplain for the Year 1686, Dr. Mountague Master.*

|                                                              |     |    |   |
|--------------------------------------------------------------|-----|----|---|
| The Yearly Rent of Land kept for that purpose . . . . .      | 100 | 0  | 0 |
| Servants Wages . . . . .                                     | 32  | 18 | 0 |
| Brewers Sallary . . . . .                                    | 2   | 0  | 0 |
| Market Woman . . . . .                                       | 0   | 8  | 0 |
| Washing per Year . . . . .                                   | 3   | 0  | 0 |
| Scaling and dressing the Ground . . . . .                    | 1   | 10 | 0 |
| Whinns for Bakeing . . . . .                                 | 1   | 5  | 0 |
| Charges of Harvest . . . . .                                 | 22  | 13 | 0 |
| One fat Ox . . . . .                                         | 12  | 0  | 0 |
| Repairs of the Stock in exchanging two Oxen . . . . .        | 2   | 13 | 4 |
| The four Festivals . . . . .                                 | 4   | 10 | 0 |
| Houfekeeping the whole Year at 30 Shillings a Week . . . . . | 78  | 0  | 0 |

## PAYMENTS

|                                                  |     |    |   |
|--------------------------------------------------|-----|----|---|
|                                                  | 260 | 7  | 4 |
| Sallary to the Out Brethren . . . . .            | 30  | 0  | 0 |
| Sallary to the Inn Brethren . . . . .            | 16  | 0  | 0 |
| To the Chaplain . . . . .                        | 25  | 0  | 0 |
| To the Clerk . . . . .                           | 2   | 0  | 0 |
| Chimney Money . . . . .                          | 3   | 9  | 0 |
| Dean and Chapters Rent and Acquittance . . . . . | 0   | 2  | 6 |
| Bishop's Rent and Acquittance . . . . .          | 0   | 7  | 0 |
| Tyth Rent for South Sherburn . . . . .           | 3   | 10 | 0 |
| Plumbers Sallary . . . . .                       | 2   | 0  | 0 |
| Wine for the Communion . . . . .                 | 0   | 10 | 0 |
| My Lord Bilhop's fat Ox . . . . .                | 10  | 0  | 0 |
| Mr. Delaval the Deputy Masters Sallary . . . . . | 20  | 0  | 0 |

373 15 10

To the Master (deducting for Repairs & Charity at the Gate) 279 13 8

653 9 6

1686 — The Rents being in all this Year — 653 9 6

Fines for Renewal of Leafes . . . . .



1713. December 12. A Lease granted by the Master of Sherburn Hospital to Thomas Peirson of the Demefne Lands at the annual Rent of 152 £. the Lessee to pay 289. 13. 3 for Stock of Cattle, and 188. 12. 2 for Hay and Corn, to leave like quantity of Butter, Cheese, Beef, Coals, Cinders, Whins, and Manure as mentioned in the Schedule: — To provide Meat, Drink, Washing, Fireing, and Coals, for fifteen Inn-dwelling Brethren: — To give Alms of a Farthing a peice per Week, to all poor People that come to ask Alms: — To provide for the Chaplain one Dinner and Beer; and provide for an old blind Woman, and for Mistress Hodges, Meat, Drink, Washing, Lodging, and Wringing. — The Lessor to allow Yearly Twenty three Pounds for the Expences of the Chaplain, blind Woman, and Mrs. Hodges.

Dr. Mountague was at this time Master of the Hospital.

MASTER'S COLLATION.

COLLATION of Wadham Chandler A. M. to the Office of  
Master of Sherburn Hospital. 1st. August 1735.

**E**DWARD by Divine Providence Lord Bishop of Durham, To our well beloved in Christ *Wadham Chandler* Clerk Master of Arts, and a licensed Preacher, Health, Grace, and Benediction. We out of pure good Will do conferr upon You freely the Office of *Keeper and Master of Christs Hospital at Sherburn* near *Durham* in the County Palatine of *Durham*, and of our Diocese and Iurisdiction, now void by the voluntary and free Resignation of *Thomas Rundle* Clerk Doctor of Laws the last Keeper or Master of the same Hospital, and to our Collation, Nomination, Election, Admission, and Appointment, in respect of our Bishoprick of *Durham* in full right belonging, and We do nominate, elect, admit, and appoint You Keeper and Master of *Christs Hospital at Sherburn* aforesaid, and of all the Lands, Tenements, Rents, Hereditaments, Goods, and Chattels of the said Hospital, *for and during your natural Life*: And We do duly and Canonically institute and invest You in and to the said Mastership or place of Keeper and Master of the said Hospital in *Sherburn*, with all its Rights, Members, Privileges, and Appurtenances ( You having first subscribed and sworn to every thing required in this respect by the Laws of this Kingdom of Great Britain, to be subscribed and sworn to, and particularly to the faithful observing and keeping the Ordinances and Rules, not being repugnant to the Laws of this Kingdom, now in force, or shall be from time to time made and set down by the Bishop of *Durham* under his hand and Seal in writing, for the good Order and Government of the Master and Brethren of the said Hospital at *Sherburn*.) And We do by these Presents fully commit to You in the Lord, the Care and Government and Administration of the same Hospital, as well of Spiritualities as Temporalities; always saving our Episcopal Rights and Customs, and the

Honours



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Honours and Dignities of our Cathedral Church of Durham. IN WITNESS whereof, We have caused our Episcopal Seal to be hereunto put, the *First* Day of *August* in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Five*, and of our Consecration the *Eighteenth*, and of our Translation the *Fifth*.

E. ❀ DURESME.

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..MANDATE for INDUCTION 1<sup>st</sup>. August 1735.

**E**DWARD by Divine Providence Lord Bishop of Durham, To our well beloved in Christ *Thomas Sharpe* Doctor in Divinity, *Chilton Wilson* Clerk, *Richard Newhouse* Clerk, and *William Randolph* Clerk, and to all and singular other Clerk or literate Person within our Diocese of Durham, wisheth Health and Peace. Whereas We have freely and out of pure good Will conferred on our well beloved in Christ *Wadham Chandler* Clerk Master of Arts, the Office of Keeper and Master of Christs Hospital at *Sherburn* near Durham, in the County Palatine of Durham and our Diocese and Jurisdiction, void by the voluntary and free Resignation of *Thomas Rundle* Clerk, Doctor of Laws, the last Keeper or Master there, and to our Collation, Nomination, Election, Admission, and Appointment, in respect of our Bishoprick of Durham in full right belonging: And We have nominated, elected, admitted, and appointed him Keeper and Master of Christs Hospital at *Sherburn* aforesaid, and of all the Lands, Tenements, Rents, Hereditaments, Goods, and Chattels of the said Hospital, for and during his natural Life: And We have

## MANDATE *for* INDUCTION.

have duly and Canonically instituted and invested him in and to the said Mastership or Place of Keeper and Master of the said Hospital in *Sherburn*, with all its Rights, Members, Privileges, and Appurtenances; We do therefore by these Presents give You Commission jointly or severally, and by positive Injunction, do Command You to induct, or cause to be inducted, the said *Wadham Chandler* or his lawful Proctor for him and in his Name, unto the real, actual, and corporal Possession of the said Mastership or Place of Keeper and Master of Christs Hospital at *Sherburn* aforesaid, and of all its Rights, Members, Privileges, and Appurtenances, and that You duly certify Us or our Vicar General, or any other competent Judge whomsoever in this behalf, what You shall have done in the Premises, when You shall be thereunto required on the part of the said *Wadham Chandler*. IN WITNESS whereof, We have caused our Episcopal Seal to be hereunto put this *First* day of *August* in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Five*, of our Consecration the *Eighteenth*, and of our Translation the *Fifth*.

E. ❀ DURESME.



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CERTIFICATE of INDUCTION 1<sup>st</sup>. August 1735.

**M**EMORANDUM, That upon the *First* day of *August* in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Five*, *Wadham Chandler* Clerk Master of Arts, was quietly and peaceably inducted by *Richard Newhouse* Clerk, into the real, actual, and corporal Possession of the Mastership or Keeperhip of Christs Hospital at *Sherburn* within mentioned, and of all and singular the Rights, Members, and Appurtenances thereunto belonging, and Livery and Seizin given of the said Hospital to the said *Wadham Chandler* by delivering a Turf of the Ground belonging to the said Hospital in the name of the whole to the said *Wadham Chandler*.

RICHARD NEWHOUSE.

WITNESSES.

HENRY BLAND M. A.

DAVID HILTON.

JO. MOWBRAY.

JOHN PYE *Notary Publick, Register to the Archdeacon of Durham.*

☞ Mr. Chandler died in France 2<sup>d</sup>. January 1737-8, and was privately buried in the Galilee of Durham Cathedral 29<sup>th</sup>. May 1738.

Robert Stillingfleet M. A. succeeded him as Master of Sherburn Hospital.

Bishop Chandler's VISITATION.

*The Primary Visitation of the Right Reverend Father in God Edward by divine Providence Lord Bishop of Durham of the Master and Inn and Out Brethren of Christ's Hospital in Sherburn near Durham within the Diocese of Durham.*

The CITATION.

**E**DWARD by divine Providence Lord Bishop of Durham, To our well beloved in Christ *Wadham Chandler* Clerk Master of Arts, Master of Christ's Hospital at *Sherburn* near Durham within our Diocese of Durham wisheth Health and Peace.

Whereas We intend (God willing) by our Episcopal and Ordinary Authority to visit the said Hospital, as well the Head as the Members thereof, We therefore by these Presents peremptorily cite You, and by You We will and command all and singular the Brethren and other Ministers and Servants of the said Hospital to be cited, that You and every one of You appear before Us or our Commissioner or Deputy in the Chappel of the said Hospital on Thursday the *fourteenth* day of *August* instant between the hours of nine and twelve in the forenoon of the same day, to undergo with due Reverence our Primary Episcopal and Diocesan Visitation, and to exhibit and give Us an account of the State of the said Hospital, as well in Spirituals as in Temporals, and the Foundation of the same, and the title of your Incumbency and Admission to the same, as also the Statutes or Injunctions formerly made by the Founder or Founders or Visitors of the said Hospital, and further to do receive and undergo what the nature and quality of our said Primary and Episcopal Visitation do require, and what You do in the Premises You are duely to certify Us or our Deputy or  
Deputys



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Deputies whomsoever on the said day hours and place aforesaid by your Letters Patent authentically sealed and annexed to these Presents, together with the Names Surnames and Titles of all and singular the Persons so by you to be cited as above mentioned, fair and clearly written.

Given at Durham under our Episcopal Seal the *fifth* day of *August* in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty five*, and of our Consecration the eighteenth, and of our Translation the fifth,

E. Duresne


*The Master's RETURN to the above Citation.*

**T**O the Right Reverend Father in God *Edward* by divine Providence Lord Bishop of Durham; *Wadham Chandler* Clerk Master of Arts, Master of Christs Hospital in *Sherburn* near Durham within your Diocese of Durham sends all due Reverence and Obedience: I humbly certify your Lordship, that with due Reverence I lately received your Lordships Citatory Letters annexed to these Presents, by vertue whereof I acknowledge myself as Master of the said Hospital to be cited to the effect mentioned in the said Citatory Letters, and by fixing the said Citatory Letters upon the door of the Chappel of the said Hospital, and by other lawful ways and means by which the said Citation might possibly come to the knowledge of the Persons to be cited, I have cited all and singular the Brethren and other Ministers and Servants of the said Hospital, that they and every one of them appear on the day and at the hours and place in your said Citatory Letters specified and appointed, and to the effect in the same Letters mentioned, whose Names and Surnames I have caused to be written and set down in the Schedule annexed to these Presents, and have with all due care

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care and humility done and executed all other things according to the tenor of your Lordships said Citatory Letters.

In Witness whereof I have put the Common Seal of the said Hospital to these Presents this *Seventh* day of *August* in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty five*.

Wadham Chandler Master 

*The Names and Surnames of the Master Chaplain and Brethren of Christs Hospital in Sherburn near Durham within the Diocese of Durham, cited to undergo the Primary and Episcopal Visitation of the Right Reverend Father in God Edward by Divine Providence Lord Bishop of Durham, to be held upon Thursday the fourteenth day of August in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty five.*

Wadham Chandler Clerk Master of Arts — Master

Richard Newhouse Clerk — Chaplain.

### *Inn Brethren.*

John Whitfield, John Weams, John Bullock, Robert Greiveson, John Wright, William Carr *dead*, Richard Grey, John Bell, John Ridley, Robert Proctor, Henry Allison, Avery Crow, Richard Forster, William Thompson, William Walton.

### *Out Brethren.*

Christopher Ovington, William Ekstobb, William Etherington, Philip Suddick, Robert Young, William Richardson, Watkinson Pearson, William Ripley, John Elder, Roger Coatman, Michael Lindfley, John Brockhall, William Bulmer, James Alderson, John Gibson.



## SHERBURN HOSPITAL

THURSDAY the fourteenth day of August in the Year of our Lord 1735, in the Chappel of Christs Hospital in Sherburn near Durham before the Right Reverend Father in God Edward by divine Providence Lord Bishop of Durham in the presence of William Pye Notary Publick assumed Actuary for the dispatching the Business of this Visitation.

**T**HE Business of the Primary and Episcopal Visitation of the said Right Reverend Father, of the Master, Chaplain, and Inn and Out Brethren and other Ministers and Servants of Christs Hospital in Sherburn within the Diocese of Durham.

A Citation hath been issued under the Episcopal Seal against *Wadham Chandler* Clerk Master of Arts the Master and the Brethren of Christs Hospital in *Sherburn* afore said, to appear here this day to undergo the said Right Reverend Father's said Visitation, at which time and place after Prayers in the said Chappel were ended, the said *Wadham Chandler* Master of the said Hospital was called upon for a Return to the said Right Reverend Father's Mandate or Citation, who appeared and delivered in the said Citation, with a return of the execution thereof under the Common Seal of the said Hospital, and annexed to the said Citation, together with the Names and Surnames of the Master Chaplain and Inn and Out Brethren of the said Hospital, in a Schedule also annexed to the said Citation, who were ordered by the said Right Reverend Father to be called over, upon the Call, a place of an Inn Brother was found to be vacant by the death of *William Carr*, all the rest of the Members (excepting *John Wright* an Inn Brother who was sick and was excused) appeared, (as recorded and set down) to their several names in the Schedule before mentioned; and *John Brockhall* one of the Out Brethren who being thrice called did not appear, upon which the  
said

## Bishop Chandler's V I S I T A T I O N.

faid Right Reverend Father pronounced him contumacious, but reserved his Punishment 'till the next Court day (to wit) *Thursday* the *twenty first* day of *August* instant, and continued the Citation against him 'till that day: The said Right Reverend Father then asked the Master, if he had an attested Copy of the Foundation of the said Hospital by Queen Elizabeth, and the Statutes or Copies of any Statutes made by any Bishop since that Foundation; to which he answered, that he had an attested Copy of the said Foundation, which he then delivered to the said Right Reverend Father, but that he had no Statutes, nor copies of any Statutes made since that Foundation by any Bishop, for the good Government of the said Hospital. The said Right Reverend Father did then in a Charge or Speech to the said Master, Chaplain, and Brethren, acquaint them with the cause of his Visitation, and afterwards delivered to them Articles of Enquiry, to which he required their Answers upon their Oaths; which Articles being read over by the Master to the Chaplain and Inn and Out Brethren, the Master petitioned the said Right Reverend Father for a competent time to give or put in their Answers to the said Articles of Enquiry, as also in consideration of his being but lately admitted to the Mastership of the said Hospital, that he might be allowed to annex to his Answers some Exhibits (which upon his enquiry after the State of the said Hospital he had found) in order to explain and as his Inducement to, and reasons for his Answers to the said Articles: At whose Petition the said Right Reverend Father gave time to the said Master Chaplain and Brethren, to *Thursday* the *Twenty first* instant, between the hours of nine and twelve in the forenoon of the said day, to give or put in their Answers to the said Articles, and admonished them to give or put in their Answers accordingly; as also leave to the said Master upon his Petition to annex such Exhibits to his Answers as he thought proper, for the explanation of the same, and the Good and Benefit of the said Hospital; and afterwards



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afterwards continued and adjourned the said Visitation to the said *Twenty first* day of *August*, and to the hours and place aforesaid, and admonished the Master, Chaplain, Inn and Out Brethren, then and there to attend him.

*THURSDAY the One and Twentieth day of August in the Year of our Lord 1735, in the Chappel of Christ's Hospital in Sherburn near Durham, within the Diocese of Durham, before the Reverend Father in God Edward by divine Providence Lord Bishop of Durham in the presence of William Pye Notary Publick assumed Actuary for the dispatching the Business of this Visitation.*

*THE Business of the Primary and Episcopal Visitation of the said Right Reverend Father, of the Master, Chaplain, Inn Brethren, and Out Brethren, and other Ministers and Servants of Christs Hospital in Sherburn near Durham within the Diocese of Durham.*

**T**HE Business of the Visitation of the said Right Reverend Father is continued and adjourned to this day, hour, and place, and the Master, Chaplain, Inn Brethren, and Out Brethren, were admonished to give or put in their Answers by vertue of their Oaths, to the Articles of Enquiry delivered to them by the said Right Reverend Father, and the Citation continued against *John Brockhall* one of the Out Brethren, who was pronounced contumacious for his not appearing the fourteenth instant, and his Punishment reserved to this day: Which day hours and place, after Prayers were ended, the Master, Chaplain, Inn and Out Brethren being called over appeared, excepting *John Wright* an Inn Brother, who was sick and excused, and *Christopher Ovington* an Out Brother, who was likewise sick and excused, and *John Brockhall* an Out Brother, who was pronounced contumacious, and his Punishment reserved to this day (tho' personally summoned did not appear) the said Right Reverend Father did notwithstanding continue the Citation against him, and further reserved his Punishment till *Tuesday the Twenty sixth* instant. The Master, Chaplain, and Brethren

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thren then present, being called upon for their Answers to the said Right Reverend Fathers Articles of Enquiry delivered to them the 14<sup>th</sup>. instant, the Master did then and there give in his, the Chaplain, Inn and Out Brethrens Answers by vertue of their Oaths to the said Articles, together with some Exhibits to explain the said Answers; upon which the said Right Reverend Father adjourned his Visitation for a short time, and during pleasure to read over and consider of the said Answers, and ordered the Master, Chaplain, and Inn and Out Brethren then present to withdraw to the other end of the Chappel till they were called upon: And after reading and consideration had of the said Answers, the Master Chaplain and Brethren were again called, and the said Right Reverend Father told them, that upon reading their Answers he had observed, that none of the Brethren had taken the Oath required by Queen Elizabeths Foundation, by which neglect all their places were void; but upon the Brethrens pleading that they did not know what was contained in that Foundation, and that their Ignorance was the cause of that neglect, and desireing to be new admitted, the said Right Reverend Father upon such their humble Petition, declared he was willing to admit them, in case the Master would nominate them; upon which the Master nominated them, and all of them then present were sworn and admitted accordingly, and *John Wright* and *Christopher Ovington* ordered to be sworn when they were recovered of their sickness, (the Master having been sworn by the said Right Reverend Father before his Admission to the said Mastership as required by the said Act of Foundation) and then the said Right Reverend Father adjourned the Business of his Visitation to *Tuesday* the *Twenty sixth* instant, between the hours of ten and twelve in the Forenoon of the said day to the Castle at Durham, and admonished the Master and two of the Inn Brethren (to wit) *John Whitfield* and *John Weams* (excusing the rest) then and there to attend him to receive Ordinances and Rules from him for the good Government of the said Hospital at *Sherburn*.



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*ARTICLES of Enquiry and Interrogatories delivered to the Master and Brethren of Christs Hospital in Sherburn near Durham in the County and Diocese of Durham, touching their State and Government, by the Right Reverend Father in God EDWARD Lord Bishop of Durham, in his Primary Visitation there held on Thursday the fourteenth day of August, in the eighteenth Year of his Consecration and of his Translation the fifth, and in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty five.*

AND

*ANSWERS to the said Articles of Enquiry and Interrogatories by the Master and Brethren of Christs Hospital at Sherburn near Durham in the County and Diocese of Durham, touching their State and Government, delivered to the Right Reverend Father in God EDWARD Lord Bishop of Durham in his Primary Visitation there held by adjournment on Thursday the twenty first day of August, One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty five.*

**H**AVE You an attested Copy of the Act of Parliament made the 27<sup>th</sup>. of Queen Elizabeth, by which this House was a new erected, constituted, incorporated and endowed, with the Lands and other Revenues which had been heretofore given and limited to the said Hospital?

*We have an attested Copy of the Act of Queen Elizabeth, which was delivered in the first day of the Visitation, and We look upon it to be our Foundation.*

2. HAVE any Ordinances, Rules, or Constitutions, for the good Order and Government of this Hospital or their Possessions, been made and delivered to this House by any of the Bishops my Predecessors since the aforesaid Act of Queen Elizabeth?

*We have none in the Hospital, nor did I the Master find any among the Papers of Dr. Rundle my immediate Predecessor, except a few Rules made by Lord Crewe at his Visitation in 1703, upon Paper and without Seal, and*

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*a Copy of an Order of Bishop Crewe for reducing the Value of the Stock upon the Ground to 200 £. upon Dr. Mountague's Admission to be Master; which was likewise extended to Dr. Mountague's Executors upon his Demise; but I have heard that Bishop Matthews, or some Bishop before him, did make Ordinances for the good Government of the Hospital, and have made diligent enquiry at the Auditors Office, and at the Office of the Register of the Consistory Court where they should be lodged, but can hear nothing of them.*

3. WHAT Charters, Writings, Title Deeds, or other Evidences of your Estate are in your custody, name them, and tell how and where they are preserved?

*In the Hospital there is not a Scrip of Paper left of any Charters, Title Deeds or other Evidences, or any Remembrance of such in the Hospital; but I have been told by some Antiquaries, and believe that they were mostly embezzled before Queen Elizabeths time, and the rest a few Years after Queen Elizabeths Act, while Dr. Valentine Dale a Civilian was Master, and employed abroad in the Queens Service. — Among Dr. Rundle's Papers there is Bishop Pilkington's Incorporation, but that is of no Use, being prior to Queen Elizabeths Act of Incorporation.*

4. HATH the Master any Ecclesiastical Benefice with Cure of Souls? Is he obliged by any Rule to constant Residence, or hath he usually resided?

*The Master hath no Ecclesiastical Benefice with Cure of Souls. We know the Master has seldom or never resided, for living usually at Durham, he frequently came over hither, and always supplied the ordinary duty of the House by a Deputy Master; and therefore We do not believe there was any Rule to oblige him to Residence, because Sherburn being so near Durham, the Bishop could not be ignorant that he did not reside; but to be positive that there was no Rule upon our Oath to oblige him, is what We cannot be, having never seen or heard of any Statutes or Rules of the House.*

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5. WHETHER the Brethren have been admitted and placed there as the Foundation requires? (*viz.*) Have all and every Member been duly sworn before his coming in to be Master or Brother, for performing such Ordinances as shall from time to time be set down by the Bishop of Durham, according to the special direction of Queen Elizabeths Act, and by Orders made by Bishop Crewe at his Visitation in 1703; Or which of the Members have not? Answer particularly.

*I the Master have taken the Oath enjoyned by Queen Elizabeths Act, but none of the Out or Inn Brethren have been sworn, nor ever heard they were bound to it.*

6. ARE any Lands of the Hospital let in Lease that have not usually been leased out? tell which they be; and hath the accustomed Yearly Rent antiently reserved on the said Leases been duly continued in the new Leases?

*We know of no Leases of Lands that have not usually been leased out, and whereupon the antient accustomed Yearly Rent hath not been reserved.*

7. HAVE any Lands of the House been alienated, or any Goods or Stock or Utenfils belonging to the House been embezled or converted to any ones private Use.

*We know of none.*

8. HATH not the Master usually given a Bond sometime after his Admission for the payment of *Four hundred Pounds* to the next Master for the use of the house? Was this Bond enjoyned by any Statute, or by antient Usage? Hath that Sum been constantly paid by the precedent Master upon leaving his place, or by his Executors upon death? Or at what time did it cease to be paid and a less Sum ordered in the room of it? Tell when, and the occasion, and by whom reduced. What was the condition of this Bond or for what

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what ends and purposes was it executed, where ought it to be lodged, and was it for a certain Sum or to the value of such Stock of the Predecessor as should come to the hands of the Successor? Tell all you know or have heard of this matter truly and fully upon your Oath.

*The Brethren know nothing of the Bond, nor consequently of the Condition of it, nor of the ends and purposes for which the Bond was given: But I the said Master understand, that formerly a Bond was given sometime after the Masters Admission, for the payment of 400 £. to the succeeding Master; but whether it was by Statute or antient Useage I know not. The Design of this Bond as I have heard, was to secure such Stocks of Cattle and Stores of Corn specified in an Inventory made at the same time, as might be sufficient to answer any present occasion of the House, and also for making good the Heir Looms both within and without the House: This Bond and Inventory was used to be lodged in the Registers Office as I have reason to beleive; but upon my late enquiries there, the Officers deny they have such Bonds, or that they ever heard of them, nor are they to be found in the Auditors Office. The History of the sinking of this Sum is this; While Mr. Machon was Master, the Civil Wars broke out, and between the Kings Army which was quartered at Durham, and the Parliament Army quartered at Quarrington, Sherburn-house which lay in the middle, was plundered of its Cattle and many of the Goods of all kinds; in consideration thereof, after the Restoration Bishop Crewe as Visitor, by Writing under Hand and Seal, discharged Mr. Machon's Executors from the payment of 400 £. to his Successors, and reduced the payment to 200 £. which Sum Dr. Mountague his Successor entering upon and no more; the said Bishop in the said Instrument did not oblige him nor his Executors to leave any more Stock upon the Premises, than to the Value of the said 200 £. which he entered upon, and accordingly no more was paid to Dr. Rundle by the consent of the then Bishop: Dr. Rundle being translated to a*  
*Bishoprick*



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*Bishoprick in Ireland, offers to pay me the like Sum of 200 £. which I decline accepting, before I know the pleasure of your Lordship the Visitor, or in what other way I ought to proceed: But I must acquaint your Lordship, that Dr. Rundle having given no Bond to the Bishop for the paying of 200 £. to his Successor, as neither did Dr. Mountague as he beleives, and there being no Statutes or Ordinances in being to enforce the payment of 400 £. a Chancery Suite in order to clear this matter of the Bond, will be a further loss perhaps of 200 £. more to the House, and at last our Bill may be dismissed with Costs, since We cannot support our demand to one penny of it, but by the confession of the parties concerned or their Executors, who may well plead Ignorance of the whole matter; for the truth of this, I exhibit a copy of Bishop Crewe's Order and a Transcript or part of Dr. Rundle's Letter.*

9. Do the Brethren receive all such Wages and Profits as heretofore they have used and enjoyed, and as the Foundation requires, and particularly Ten Shillings a Man over and above the antient Pension Portion or Dividend of Six Shillings and Eightpence? Hath there been of late a further encrease of their Pensions or Dividend, and other additions for their comfortable Living? What are they, and are they still continued?

*The Brethren do believe they receive all such Wages and Stipends as heretofore they did receive and more, the late Master having encreased them to Forty Shillings a Man per Year; the truth is, by the Constitution of some of the first Founders, each Brothers Portion or Dividend was Six Shillings and Eightpence, the Act of Queen Elizabeth added Ten Shillings a Year more to that Portion; Dr. Mountague raised it to Thirty Shillings, and the last Master made it Forty Shillings, which shall be continued, as also the cloathing them with a new Suite every Year, which hath been begun very lately, and the provision of new Beds, Blanketts, and Curtains, and all fitting Conveniencies in their Chambers.*

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10. Is the number of thirty Members compleat, how many wanting, do as many Brethren live in the House as ever did in the memory of Man; if not the whole thirty, why do not more live in the House?

*There are at present thirty Brethren only, the place that is to be filled by Trollope Esquire and his Heirs is newly vacant; fifteen of these are lodged in the house, and provided with all conveniences, which are more than antiently lay in the House, and as many as there are in the house Lodgings for. By a Constitution of \*Thomas Lord Bishop of Durham, the number of poor Brothers and Sisters were reduced to thirteen, with two Lepers if they could be found, since then the Buildings for more have been suffered to go to ruin: Queen Elizabeth by Letters Patent seventeenth of her reign as I have been told, encreased the number to seventeen Brethren, but neither then nor since did more than fifteen lodge in the House.*

11. HAVE any Out-Brethren of late Years been called into the House upon the decease of an Inn-Brother, name who they are?

*One or two Out Brethren have been of late called into the House as Vacancies happened, Richard Grey is one of them.*

12. ARE any Women or Children admitted to cohabit with the Brethren, or any Friend or Male Relation?

*No Women or Children are admitted to cohabit with the Brethren, except a Nurse to take care of Richard Grey a sick Brother, and an old decayed Woman formerly Nurse.*

13. OF what County Town and Village or Place, of what Age Health and Strength, is every Out and Inn Brother: Answer particularly to each Man and the places where the Out Brethren inhabit?

*Inn Brethren.*  
*Richard Grey aged 36 born at Herrington in the County of Durham.*

\* Thomas Langley

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John Whitfield aged 60 born at Saint Nicholas Durham. — Robert Proctor aged 79 born at Low Spenn in the County of Durham. — John Bell aged 72 born in the Bailey Durham. — John Bullock aged 69 born in the Bailey Durham. — Rob. Greiveson aged 75 born in Gillygate Durham. — Avery Crowe aged 66 born at Hetton le hole in the County of Durham. — Henry Allison aged 52 born at Eppleton in the County of Durham. — John Ridley aged 75 born at Toddlewood in Northumberland. — Richard Forfter aged 65 born at St. Nicholas Durham. — John Weems aged 58 born in Gillygate Durham. — William Walton aged 70 born at Bedburn Park in the County of Durham. — John Wright aged 60 born in Framwellgate Durham. — William Thompson aged 73 born at Simondburn in Northumberland.

### Out Brethren.

Christopher Ovington aged 80 born at Whorlton in the County of Durham. John Brockhall aged    born at Barnardcastle. William Bulmer aged 63 born at Billingham in the County of Durham. — Roger Coatman aged 84 born at Winyard in the County of Durham. — William Elstobb aged 62 born at Sedgefield in the County of Durham. — John Alder aged 56 born at Alnwick in Northumberland. — William Etherington aged 53 born at Saint Nicholas in Durham. — Michael Lindley aged 60 born at Brandon in the County of Durham. Watkinson Pearson aged 48 born at Forcett in Yorkshire. — William Ripley aged 60 born in Crofsgate Durham. — Phillip Suddick aged 80 born in Elvett Durham. — James Alderson aged 89 born at Swardale in Yorkshire. — Robert Young aged 92 born in Elvet Durham. — John Gibson aged 80 born in Elvet Durham. — William Richardson aged 60 born in Crofsgate Durham.

14. ARE the Brethren all Members of the Church of England as by Law established; do they behave as such by attending twice a day at the Chappel in a decent manner at Prayers, and on the Lords day at Sermons, and receiving the holy Sacrament of the Lords Supper, as often as it is administered

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tred; do they pray to God in private, and read the Scriptures and other pious Books, or how do they employ their idle time; do they live soberly and chastly in Love and peace with one another, and in due obedience and respect to the Master; is any one of them a Brawler, Fighter, an Abuser in word or deed of others, a Backbiter, Intriguer, Caballer, a Murmurer without cause, or a Busy Body in matters that do not belong to him; name the Brother whether he be out or in the House, and what you have heard or believe of this sort?

*The Brethren are all Members of the established Church, and are constant at divine Offices; they have Bibles and read sometimes, and at other times do some little work in their Rooms to employ their time; they hope they all live inoffensively.*

15. HAVE any of the Brethren been put out or removed of late Years without the knowledge and allowance of the Bishop of Durham upon examination of the Cause.

*They answer negatively.*

16. DOth any Inn Brother go out of the House, or lye out at nights, or absent himself from Prayers without the leave of the Master or his Deputy?

*They answer negatively.*

17. HAVE you the Brethren your statuteable or accustomed Meat and Drink of good kind and dressing, and warm and clean Bedding, and due attendance when sick; give a particular account of your Diet for every day of the week, and every Meal in the day, and on Holydays, and whether you desire a change in your Diet?

*They have nothing to complain of as to Diet, or of want of warm clean Rooms or attendance when sick.*



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18. Do the Brethren dine in the Common Hall; do they say Grace or give God thanks before and after Meals, and pray for the preservation and prosperity of this Realm, of his Majesty, the Queen, their Heirs and Successors, as was intended they should, when this Hospital was founded?

*They seldom dine together in the Common Hall; in their Prayers at night read by one of themselves, they pray for the King and the Realm and the Royal Family.*

19. What are the several Officers or Ministers or Servants maintained in the house for their necessary occasions, and are they or not during their good behaviour and the Masters pleasure?

*A Chaplain, an old Woman to attend the Brethren and wash the Linnen, besides Nurses when there is occasion, a Porter, Clerk, Sexton, Bellringer, are chosen out of the Brethren, and have suitable allowances.*

20. WHAT Alms have used to be given to any Persons on account of the Hospital; what Alms given at the Gate, to whom, under what restrictions, and why, by the Statutes of the Hospital or Custom only?

*We know of no Alms that is required to be given to Strangers, but the Poor that call, of which there are many have been usually relieved.*

21. IN what condition and repair are all the Buildings of the Hospital and Out Walls, particularly the Houses of the Brethren, the Furniture of their Rooms, and other their accommodations, the Chappel, Mansion house, Farm houses, and the Chappels and Chancells that are to be sustained and repaired by this House?

*The Houses of the Brethren are in tollerable repair, and all other accommodations within their Chambers are such as are proper; the other Buildings, Chancells &c. are now under survey, and shall be repaired as soon as Dilapidations are settled,*

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22. WHAT are the Heir - Looms as to Furniture, Plate, Utensils in the Kitchen, Dairy and Cellar, belonging to the Master or for Husbandry; give in a list of them, and produce what antient Inventory you have of the Goods in the House, or Stock upon the Lands and Grounds?

*The Inventory in the House and without the House, such as I received from the former Master I deliver in, and the Brethren remember no more, We can find no antient Inventory.*

23. DOth the Chaplain read Prayers in a decent solemn manner twice every day, at what hours? Doth he preach every Lords day, and administer the Sacrament how often?

*Mr. Newhouse the Chaplain reads Prayers at Eleven in the Morning, and at two in the Afternoon daily, preaches every Lords day, and four times a Year administers the Holy Sacrament of the Lords Supper.*

24. WITHIN how many days after the Vacancy of a Brother is his place usually filled up? Hath any place been kept long vacant, and doth the Nomination lapse to any other Person upon delay in the Master to fill up the Vacancy?

*At different times, one place has been kept vacant a quarter of a Year; We know not that the Nomination lapses to any Person.*

WITNESS our Hands August the twenty first One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty five.

Wadham Chandler Master.

Richard Newhouse Chaplain.

John Whitfield  
John Weems  
Avery Crowe  
Will. Thompson  
Watkin. Pearson  
John Alder  
Phillip Suddick

Robert Proctor  
John Bullock  
John Bell  
John Wright  
Will. Ripley  
James Alderfon  
Roger Coatman

Richard Grey  
Rich. Forster  
Hen. Allison  
Will. Bulmer  
John Gibson  
W. Richardson  
Mich. Lindsley

Will. Walton  
John Ridley  
Rob. Greiveson  
Will. Elstobb  
W. Etherington  
Rob. Young  
Chr. Ovington



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COPIES of Papers &c. exhibitted and annexed to the Answers of the Master and Brethren of Sherburn Hospital, delivered by them to Bishop Chandler at his Visitation the 21<sup>st</sup>. August 1735.

**A**N attested Copy of an Act for the Incorporation of the said Hospital 27<sup>th</sup>. Queen Elizabeth cap. 15. 1585. See page

COPY of Bishop Crewe's Orders and Rules made on his Visitation of Sherburn Hospital, for the Government of the Master and Brethren in the time of John Mountague D. D. Master of the Hospital 1703. See page

COPY of Bishop Crewe's Order or Consent 9<sup>th</sup>. July 1720, that John Mountague Master of Sherburn Hospital, shall not be obliged to leave any more Stock than to the value of 200 £. which he entered upon. See page

A Schedule of Household Goods and Utensils of Husbandry remaining at Sherburn Hospital belonging to the Reverend Thomas Rundle Master of the said Hospital in the Articles hereunto annexed, most part of which Goods did belong to the Honorable John Mountague as late Master thereof, and was delivered over since his death by John Mowbray Gentleman to the said Thomas Rundle.

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*Extract of a Letter from Dr. Rundle to Edward Lord Bishop of Durham, dated at Dublin 24th. July 1735.*

THE Consideration of remitting the Two Hundred Pounds if I remember right, was, that *John Machon* the Predecessor to *Dr. Mountague* had greatly suffered in the Civil Wars, and been long dispossessed of his Preferment, and dying without being able to transmit the Four Hundred Pounds to those who were to succeed him, and that therefore *Dr. Mountague* should not be obliged to pay more than Two, to the Person who should come after him: I acquainted my Patron *Bishop Talbot* with it, who would not accept of my Bond for Two Hundred Pounds, till he had examined it at a Visitation, but he died before he had an opportunity of doing so. *Dean Mountague* never gave any Bond. I received the Two Hundred Pounds from *Mr. Carteret* his Executor.



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TUESDAY *the Twenty sixth day of August in the Year of our Lord 1735, in the Castle at Durham; before the Right Reverend Father in God EDWARD by Divine Providence Lord Bishop of Durham, in the presence of William Pye Notary Publick assumed Actuary for the dispatching the Business of this Visitation.*

THE Business of the Primary and Episcopal Visitation of the said Right Reverend Father, of the Master, Chaplain, Inn Brethren, and Out Brethren, and other Ministers and Servants of Christs Hospital in Sherburn near Durham within the Diocese of Durham.

The Business of the Visitation of the said Right Reverend Father is continued and adjourned to this day, hour, and place, and the Master, *John Whitfield* and *John Weems* two of the Inn Brethren (the rest being excepted) were admonished to attend to receive Ordinances and Rules for the good Government of the said Hospital, and the Citation continued against *John Brockball*, and his Punishment further reserved to this day; which day, hour, and place, the Master and *John Whitfield* and *John Weems*, the two Inn Brethren being called appeared, and the said Right Reverend Father did then and there deliver to them his Ordinances and Rules in Writing, under his Episcopal Seal, for the good Government of the said Hospital at Sherburn, and decreed the said *John Brockball* for his contempt in not appearing at his Visitation (being cited and often called) to be deprived of his place of Out Brother, and then adjourned the said Visitation to the *Thirtieth* day of *September* next to the Castle in Durham aforesaid.

ORDINANCES

# ORDINANCES AND RULES

For the Good Order and Government of

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in the County of DURHAM.

ORDINANCES and RULES for the good Order and Government of the Master and Brethren of Christ's Hospital at SHERBORNE near Durham, and their Possessions, delivered to them the Twenty-sixth day of August by EDWARD by Divine Providence Lord Bishop of Durham at his primary Visitation of the said Hospital, which was begun August the 14th. 1735, and continued by several Adjournments to that day.

**EDWARD** by Divine Providence Lord Bishop of Duresme. TO our well beloved in Christ Wadham Chandler Clerk Master of Arts, Master of the said Hospital, Richard Grey, John Whitfield, and the rest of the Brethren.

IF the Changes incident to all Persons and Things, did not insensibly introduce deviations from the Original Constitutions of Societies also, and make frequent reviews of the Laws whereby they should be governed necessary, for preserving a consistency between Mens Practices and their Rules, yet the present condition of *Christ's Hospital at Sherborn* in particular, would demand a speedy Provision to be made against some Evils the House labours under, and which by longer neglect may grow to be very detrimental to it.

FOR having in our Visitation upon the place discovered that all the local Statutes made by our Predecessors, since the Foundation of the said Hospital by Queen *Elizabeth*, with consent of her Parliament, were either lost, concealed, or of no validity, for want of a ratification under the Episcopal Seal, as is required by her Act; that their Stocks of Cattle and Corn were destroyed and consumed in the time of the Civil Wars, by the Two Armies in the Neighbourhood of *Sherburn-house*, that no Inventory hath been since  
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taken of their Goods, nor Bond given by the entering Master for any Sum of Money to be paid to every succeeding Master, as a Fund in readines for the occasions of the said Hospital, and as was wont formerly to be given; We judged no time was to be lost in settling new Rules, without which no Society can well subsist, which may also be effectual for securing what Goods and Chattles are still remaining, and prevent further ruin to their common Estate, which in a long Chancery Suite at this distance of time, after a succession of two or three Masters, under a defect of full proofs, must be hazarded with small prospect of Success.

IN drawing up these Rules, We have revived as many Ordinances of the first Founders, as could be adapted to the present state of things, and followed those of our late Predecessors where We could presume of their Intentions by their Articles of Visitation which We have seen, and these Rules so collected and hereafter following; We by the Authority given Us by Act of Parliament, as well as the antienter Constitutions of the first Founders, *Bishops* of this Diocese; DO for ourselves and Successors, order and appoint to be the standing Rules to be observed by all the Members of the said Hospital, until such time as any of our Successors shall see cause, or in their Wisdom think proper to alter or amend them.

AND to prevent Confusion by a disagreement of these with any former Rules (should any such come to light hereafter) We after the Example of our worthy Predecessor *Thomas Langley* in his new Ordination of the said Hospital, rescind and annul all former Constitutions, Rules and Ordinances, made by any of our Predecessors, and do substitute these in their place, as the only Rules they shall be bound to obey. Given at our Castle at *Durham*, the *Twenty Sixth* Day of *August*, being one of the Days and Places to which We adjourned our Visitation of the said Hospital, in the *Eighteenth* Year of our Consecration, *Fifth* of our Translation, and in the Year of our Lord *One Thousand Seven Hundred and Thirty Five*.

## STATUTES

### *Concerning the Master.*

1. THE Master shall be always a Person in Holy Orders, of the Degree of Master of Arts at least, a licensed Preacher, and one who is capable of Business and applies himself to it, especially for the Maintenance and prosperous Estate of the Hospital.

2. THE Master or his Deputy appointed by him to act in his name, shall usually reside within the said Hospital, for the better ordering and governing the Members thereof, according to an antient Constitution of *Thomas Langley* Bishop of *Duresme*; saving to the said Bishop his ordinary Jurisdiction over them.

3. THE Master if he be not constantly resident in Person, shall often repair thither to preach and read Lectures on Catechetical heads to them, and to enquire and hear the Complaints of the Brethren when they have any, & see them redressed.

4. THE *Common Seal* shall be kept by the Master only, in a Box locked up and not to be trusted with the Deputy, and the Master shall be always present when the Seal is put to any Instrument.

5. THE Counterparts of the Leases shall be preserved in the custody of the Master himself, and as often as there shall be occasion to trust any Writing out of his hands, he shall take a Note for the safe delivery of it.

6. NO Demise of Lands antiently used to be demised, shall pass otherwise than by the Common Seal; and no Demise of Lands not demiseable by *Queen Elizabeth's* Foundation, shall be accounted valid in Law, tho' it be duly sealed with the Common Seal.

7. UPON sealing of any Lease, *Twelve-pence* and no more shall be given to every Member that attends to sign the Lease.

8. THE Demesnes at *Sherburn* shall never be demised by Lease for Years  
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or Lives, but the whole or at least the greatest part thereof shall continue in the occupation of the Master or his Deputy, Steward or Agent, so that there shall always be maintained on the Ground a full Stock of Young Cattle of all kinds, and a sufficient quantity of Hay and Stores of Corn and other Grain in the Granaries, to answer all occasions of the House.

9. UPON the Death, Cession, or Resignation of every Master, so much of his Stock and Stores of all sorts, as shall be prized to the Value of *Two Hundred Pounds*, shall be delivered over to the succeeding Master, who shall be legally intitled thereto from the preceeding Master his Heirs or Executors, or the Sum of *Two Hundred Pounds* for and in lieu and in full satisfaction for the same.

10. FOR the better securing of this *Two Hundred Pounds*, or Stock or Stores to the Value thereof; every Master soon after his Induction shall be bound to the *Bishop of Duresme*, in the Penalty of *Four Hundred Pounds*, for the Payment of *Two Hundred Pounds*, or Stock and Stores of that Value to his lawful Successor, which Bond shall be lodged in the Registry of the Bishop's Consistory Court, to be delivered up and cancelled upon performance of the Condition by the preceeding Master.

11. AN exact Inventory shall be taken by every Master at his coming into his place of all the Plate, Household Goods, Kitchen and Brewing Vessels, Utensils in the Dairy, Cellar, and for Husbandry, Linnen, Bedding, and all other Furniture, as well belonging to the House of the Master, as the Houses of the Brethren, and three Copies made thereof and signed by the said Master the one to be lodged in the Registry aforesaid with the Bond for payment of *Two Hundred Pounds*, the other to be preserved by the Master himself, and the third to be kept by the Heirs or Executors of the preceeding Master, who is obliged to leave the same as he received them at his Entrance, according to the said Inventory.

12. THE Original of these Statutes to be safely locked up in the same Box,  
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with the Common Seal, to be delivered with the said Seal to the next lawful Successor by the Predecessor or his Executors or Administrators, and a Book shall be prepared for Common Use; wherein these Statutes and Ordinances, as far as they concern the Brethren, shall be fairly written with *Queen Elizabeth's* Act of Foundation in the 27th. Year of her Reign; and such other Rules as shall hereafter be made by any succeeding Bishop. — These Rules concerning the Brethren are to be read to the Inn-Brethren at a full Meeting once a Year.

13. A Quarto Book shall be carefully kept by the Master or his Deputy, wherein shall be fairly entred the Names of all the present Members, and the time of their coming in; and when and before whom they were sworn; and as often as any of them die, the Brother who succeeds him shall have his Name entred, his Country, Parish, his Age, and the day of the Year of his being sworn and by whom, and whom he succeeds, and till this be done, no Person shall be reckoned a Brother or Member of *Sherburn-house*.

14. AS many Brethren shall be lodged within the House, as the antient Lodgings will permit, and have usually for many Years past resided therein.

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15. IN filling up the vacant Places of the Inn-Brethren, a preference shall be often given to the Out-Brethren, who in the Masters Opinion deserve to be taken into the House, yet so as that it shall be matter of choice and discretion in the Master, and not of Obligation to proceed in that way.

16. THESE Qualifications shall be required in every Man that is admitted into *Sherburn House* as a Brother; that he be a single Person, who hath lived well and creditably in the World, and is not at this time worth *Twenty Pounds*, that he be born in the County of *Durham*, unless by special allowance of the  
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Bishop, the County be dispensed with; and particularly that such as have lived within the Manors, and been Tenants to the Lands of the Bishoprick or Hospital Estate, if in other respects they be as well qualified, shall have the preference; that he be of the Age of *Fifty Six* or upwards, never under; that he be not then labouring under any Sicknefs, or incurable or infectious Disease, tho' the Lame and Impotent should be considered in the first place.

17. HE shall be a constant Member of the Church of England by Law established, and continue so.

18. TO this end We order, That every Man that desires to be a Brother, shall present a Petition to the Master, setting forth his Case, with a Certificate of his Age, under the hand of the Minister of the Parish where he was born, and another Certificate of his peaceable social Disposition, and sober Behaviour; and conformity to the Church of England for some Years last past, under the hands of credible Gentlemen and others, Neighbours to the Place where he hath last lived; which Petitions and Certificates shall be filed by the Master, to be produced when he shall be called upon.

19. NO one shall be treated as a Brother and Member of this Corporation or intitled to any Profits as such, who hath not first taken his Corporal Oath for performing such Ordinances and Rules as have been, and shall hereafter be made and set down by the *Bishop of Duresme*, under his Hand and Seal in writing, for the good Order and Government of the Master and Brethren of the said Hospital, which said Oath shall be taken before the Bishop, if he happens to be at that time in the City of *Durham*, or else before his Spiritual Chancellor, or the Chancellors Principal Surrogate, without Fee.

20. WITHIN a Month after every Vacancy, the Master if he be in the Country, shall be bound to put in a new Brother, or within Six Weeks at most if the Master be far absent, and upon the Masters neglecting to fill up the Place within that time; It shall be in the power of the Bishop to name a

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Brother without the Master, who shall be accordingly admitted.

21. NO Woman, Child, Male Relation or Friend, shall be suffered to abide with him in the Room or Lodging of any Brother, on any account, except a Nurse to take care of the Sick.

22. NO Brother shall presume to be absent from Prayers, to go abroad, much less to lie out of the House, without leave of the Master or his Deputy, which shall be sparingly allowed, and the time of absence not above two or three days, and the leave to be noted in a Book kept for that purpose.

23. THE Brethren shall attend duly Morning and Evening Prayer, Sermons on the Lords day, and the Holy Sacrament of the Lords Supper, as often as it shall be administered, and they shall be there early at the beginning of the respective Offices, and continue there to the end: And the better to know who performs this Duty, the Clerk of the Chappel shall keep a weekly Roll, with the Names of the Brethren, and prick at the Name of every one present, and on *Monday* Morning deliver this Roll to the Master or his Deputy, in order to their receiving Admonition or Correction according to the heinousness of their Offence.

24. THE Chaplain of the said Hospital shall be constant in reading the Morning and Evening Service, according to the Liturgy of the Church of England, and preach every Lords day, and mostly upon Catechetical heads, and administer the Holy Sacrament four times in the Year at least, of which the solemn Festivals of Christmas, Easter, and Whitsuntide, shall be three of the times; he shall be diligent in visiting the Sick, and exhorting the Well, as often as he knows of their doing amiss.

25. FOR the Employment of their Thoughts on Week days, a *Bible* and *Whole Duty of Man* shall be provided for every Inn-Brother, which upon the death of any one of them, shall go with all the Furniture of his Chamber (bought by the Master) to his Successor, and they shall be often put in mind

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of Daily Prayers in secret in their own Rooms.

26. NO Brother shall be allowed to be a Drunkard, a Fornicator or Unchaste, a Caballer or Mischief-maker, Profane, a Despiser of God, Religion or Divine Worship, injurious or unfociable to his Fellows, disrespectful, saucy, or disobedient to the Master, or in a word, be guilty of any notorious crime or live a disorderly offensive Life.

27. IN all these cases, the Master to whom the Power and Authority of governing the Brethren and Servants of the House is committed, shall by himself or his Deputy, or the Chaplain, correct and punish the Offender, according to the quality and degree of the Offence, (that is to say) at first, by a serious Admonition and Warning, and then by suspending him from his Diet for two, three, or more days, according to the Master's Pleasure: *Provided* that the Suspension be never longer than three Weeks at a time, and the value of the Diet of the suspended Person be divided among such of the Brethren as are not Offenders; And if after the exercise of such Discipline, any Brother shall go on to offend in the same way, the Master shall then carry his Complaint of him to the Bishop, that he may be removed, or otherwise punished as the Bishop shall think fit.

28. WE Ordain, that the said Brethren who are well and sound, do eat together at Dinner in their Common Hall or Room, according to a Constitution of *Thomas Langley* to that effect, unless for reasons to be given to the Bishop, he shall dispense with this Rule for any time. One of the Brethren shall be chosen by themselves to say Grace before and after Meat, or give God Thanks for the bountiful Provision he hath made for them, and for raising up such Benefactors to them.

29. THE Woman who is to wash their Cloaths &c. shall be of middle Age of good Fame and Conversation, as the same also is required of all the other Servants and Ministers belonging to the House.

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30. WE do revive and enforce the late Orders concerning the manner of Diet of the Brethren throughout the Year, with some few alterations, as annexed in a sepearate Paper, which We order to be transcribed and hung up in the Hall where the Brethren eat.

31. LASTLY, as to the Relief of poor Travellers at the Gate, which hath been customary, and no doubt piously intended, We give no Injunctions; idle Vagrants should be discouraged and punished, necessitous Travellers on their honest occasions supplied, but care should be taken that such as have no legal Settlement be not made burthensome to the Hospital, by an indifcreet Relief, as is directed by an Act of Parliament for ascertaining of Settlements.

*The OATH for Master and Brethren of Sherburn Hospital.*

I ——— do swear, that I will faithfully observe and keep the Ordinances and Rules ( not being repugnant to the Laws of this Realm now in force ) as shall be from time to time made and set down by the Bishop of Durham under his Hand & Seal in writing for the good Order and Government of the Master and Brethren of Christs Hospital in Sherburn near Durham in the County Palatine of Durham.

So help me God.

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